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## **EDITORIAL COMMENTS**

Past editors of The Springbok have not exercised their prerogative to comment. Those of you who know me will understand that I couldn't resist the opportunity.

The Springbok is meant to be a «peacetime» War Diary, a pictorial and written record of The Regiment's accomplishments in the past year. It is produced through the hard work and effort of many officers, NCOs, and soldiers. Their stories and pictures follow this page.

I would like to make special mention of the help and assistance of the staff of Der Kanadier, who have helped produce every Springbok from 1970 to the present. Without their advice and hard work, this book might never be possible.

Finally, I hope all readers enjoy Springbok 82 as much we enjoyed putting it together.

B.E. Hook, CD  
Major  
Editor

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**MESSAGE  
FROM  
THE COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT**

After a hard year of field training, exercises and participation in many activities both social and military, we pause to evaluate the achievements of the last 12 months, pay homage to comrades who have departed, and make plans for the future and more particularly for our Centennial year.

There is a paradox in our lives. On one hand we cultivate our individualism, and on the other hand, because of our belonging to a collectivity which is the Army, we accept all the duties and constraints of military life.

The Army is a way of life. As in every clan, the acceptance of one another develops a sense of solidarity, a team spirit. It can also be described as camaraderie. Winston Churchill said «We mould our environment and later our environment moulds us.» The interesting aspect of military life is that each one of us constitutes a link in the chain. This link conditions our way of life in the Army. That is what makes its strength. Alone, we can do very little in the scope of things. But, when accepting the rules of the game, working as a team, we become strong.

If it is true that there is the making of a hero in each one of us, it is also true that we need the support of the team to succeed.

N'oublions pas nos épouses et nos familles comme faisant partie de l'équipe. Nous leurs devons beaucoup d'admiration et d'affection pour leur appui durant des périodes qui peuvent être difficiles.

During my visits to the Regiment this year I have again been impressed by your professionalism and spirit. As we enter our Centennial Year I know your performance will be in keeping with the traditions of the past.

God speed. I look forward to seeing you all in 1983.

J.P. Gauthier, DSO, CD  
Brigadier-General (Retired)  
Colonel of the Regiment  
The Royal Canadian Dragoons





## COMMANDING OFFICER'S MESSAGE

Traditionally, the Commanding Officer's Message has been an accounting of achievements and successes of the Regiment throughout the preceeding year. I have chosen to deviate from that form slightly, as each squadron covers these in their respective articles.

The achievements and successes of any regiment are the result of much effort and hard work on the part of the soldiers. Young men full of life, excitement and great expectations, but above all full of humor and the devil-may-care. It is this character of our soldiers that makes command the challenge and reward that it is. In spite of the long hours and less-than-ideal conditions, compounded by those of us that are still learning our leadership skills, the goals are achieved, glory attained and somehow our soldiers still maintain their uniquely Canadian attitude toward soldiering. If we become too serious and inward-looking, we lose what makes soldiering what it is — people, their character and the acceptance of strengths and weaknesses.

Soldiers are really the same the world over, therefore I have chosen as an example a short story of a soldier serving during the First World War with the Austro-Hungarian Armies. His name is Schweek and he has just been detached from his regiment to a naval munitions factory where he is tasked to put gun cotton into torpedoes. This is not dissimilar in the Regiment today. A corporal working for me has been warned that he is to be attached to the air force to guard some special munitions for the next two years.

The story begins:

And so he lived happily in the midst of the gun cotton, all by himself, in one of the huts in the arsenal.

And one day there was an inspection. The inspectors went from hut to hut to make sure everything was in order.

When they came to the hut where the good soldier Schweek was learning how to handle gun cotton, they saw — from the cloud of tobacco smoke which rose up from his pipe — that he was a very intrepid warrior.

Schweek, seeing the military gentlemen, stood up and, in accordance with regulations, took the pipe out of his mouth. But to keep it handy, he set it down in the nearest possible place, which happened to be an open steel barrel containing gun cotton. As he did so he declared, saluting, «Humbly report, Sirs, there's nothing new and everything is in order.»

There are moments in life when presence of mind plays a crucial role.

The cleverest man in the whole group was the colonel. Rings of tobacco smoke rose from the gun cotton, so he said, «Schweek, carry on smoking!»

Those were wise words; a lighted pipe is definitely better in someone's mouth than in gun cotton. Schweek saluted and said, «Humbly report Sir, I shall carry on smoking.» He was an obedient soldier.

«And now Schweek, come to the guardroom!»

«Humbly report Sir, I cannot, because according to regulations I have to remain here until six o'clock, when they will come to relieve me. There must always be someone by the gun cotton to prevent an accident.»

The inspectors vanished.\*

In 1983 we face many challenges: Centennial, Canadian Army Trophy, Boeselager, and on top of this we must participate in a very active and demanding training program. There is no doubt in my mind you will rise to the challenge and perform superbly but don't ever lose your sense of humor, of being young, enthusiastic and adventurous soldiers. You are a pleasure to lead and the best comrades in arms a commanding officer could ever hope to have. You keep all of us young and on our toes. Like ammunition inspection teams, colonels arrive and vanish, but the soldiers are always there doing their duty. God bless you.

*\*From The Red Commissar by Garoslav Hasek.*

D. M. Dean, CD  
Lieutenant-Colonel  
Commanding Officer  
The Royal Canadian Dragoons



## RSM'S MESSAGE

When asked by the Editor to prepare a few notes for the *Springbok*, I was hesitant at first, as it seemed to be another task to be given a priority for my In Basket.

However, upon second thought, after realizing the wide spread publicity the *Springbok* has, it gave me the honour and pleasure to share with comrades, both old and new, the happenings within the Regiment, from the Regimental Sergeant Major's view.

With the things happening in and out of the service and the economy, it gives one two outlooks on life. One, the new-type soldier who comes into the Regiment and is given the opportunity to work with sophisticated equipment and prepare himself for defence of the country. The second, the old-type soldier who has come along with the changes and is basically ready in the defence role, but not readily understanding of the new generation of soldiers. It is then realized that there is a challenge within the Regiment to bring these two groups together to make a 100 per cent contribution to our role in Europe.

I am happy to say that with the training that has taken place within the Regiment we are very close to our goal, and «Ready».

The young senior NCOs of the Regiment, as it is known, have to be supervised; but a leader is not made by supervision — so the challenge is out to them also — and practice makes perfection.

Our Centennial Year is upon us and the background work from 1975 is starting to come together. It is nice to know that all Dragoons, both past and present, have had a unique part in preparing a once-in-a-lifetime celebration.

This will be a remembered event, and we hope many of our ERE and Associated Dragoons will be joining us.

There are numerous events occurring within the Regiment and many have been reported in this issue of the *Springbok*.

The Regiment is in good shape, from my point of view, and it is an honour to be the Regimental Sergeant Major during our history-making Centennial Year.

From all senior NCOs and myself, all the best to all Dragoons wherever you may be for 1983.

Good shooting!

R.J. Marriott  
Chief Warrant Officer  
Regimental Sergeant Major  
The Royal Canadian Dragoons

## THE YEAR IN REVIEW



### JANUARY

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### APRIL

- \* GUNNERY TRAINING

### MAY

- \*17-21 BOESELAGER INTERNATIONAL RECCE CUP COMPETITION, RCD - 3rd POSITION
- \*28-18 JUNE GUN CAMP IN BERGEN HOHNE





## JUNE

\*25 CHANGE OF COMMAND

## JULY

\*19-21 NIJMEGEN MARCHES  
\*25-14 (AUG) MUNSINGEN —  
TROOP AND SQUAD-  
RON LEVEL TRAIN-  
ING

## AUGUST

\*20-3 (SEP) TACTICAL  
TRAINING HOHENFELS

## SEPTEMBER

\*03-11 EX VALIANT SHIELD - 4 CMBG FTX  
\*12-24 EX CARBINE FORTRESS VII (US) CORPS FTX (REFORGER)

## OCTOBER

\*12-26 (NOV) LEOPARD D&M COURSE  
\*12-26 (NOV) RECCE D&M COURSE  
\*18-23 (DEC) LEOPARD GUNNERY COURSE

## NOVEMBER

\*01-07 LELIEFONTEIN WEEK  
\*04 LELIEFONTEIN  
PARADE  
\*06-07 LELIEFONTEIN  
VOLKSMARSCH

## DECEMBER

\*09 MEN'S CHRISTMAS  
DINNER  
\*09 WO'S AND SGTS' AT  
HOME  
\*10-17 MINI GUN CAMP —  
HOHNE (GUNNERY  
COURSE)



## REGIMENTAL LIST – 31 DECEMBER 1982

Commanding Officer	Lieutenant-Colonel D.M. Dean
Second in Command	Major N.D. Ashton
Adjutant	Captain J.M. Snell
Operations Officer	Captain K.R. Carhart
Intelligence Officer/Regimental Gunnery Officer	Captain J.W.G. Rousseau
Signals Officer	Captain A.F. Hamel
Assistant Adjutant	Captain J.R. Sulik
Regimental Liaison Officer	Captain J.R. Ferron
Regimental Sergeant Major	Chief Warrant Officer Marriott, R.J.
Chief Clerk	Warrant Officer Darin-Zanco, M.S.
Operations Warrant Officer	Warrant Officer Swyers, T.M.
«A» SQUADRON	
Officer Commanding	Major B.E. Hook
Battle Captain	Captain J.M. Donnelly
Administrative Officer	Captain C.J. Glauning
First Troop Leader	Lieutenant L.J. Zaporzan (att from 8 CH)
Second Troop Leader	Lieutenant T.S. Mills
Third Troop Leader	Warrant Officer Vienneau, J.D.
Fourth Troop Leader	Lieutenant J.P. MacIntyre
Squadron Sergeant Major	Master Warrant Officer Horgan, T.J.
Squadron Quarter Master Sergeant	Warrant Officer Ward, R.W.
«B» SQUADRON	
Officer Commanding	Major D.C. Wilkinson
Battle Captain	Captain F.P. Crober
Administrative Officer	Captain R.L. Kennedy
First Troop Leader	Second Lieutenant J.A. Atkins
Second Troop Leader	Second Lieutenant L.E. Thomas
Third Troop Leader	Captain J.P.P.J. Lacroix
Fourth Troop Leader	Warrant Officer MacPhetson, R.N.
Squadron Sergeant Major	Master Warrant Officer Grant, L.M.
Squadron Quarter Master Sergeant	Warrant Officer Bray, W.G.
«C» SQUADRON – GAGETOWN	
Commanding Officer	Major R.G. Meating
Second in Command	Captain M.A. Johnston
Battle Captain	Captain J.W. Richmond
Administrative Officer	Captain K.M. McKay
First Troop Leader	Lieutenant J.G.P. Leroux
Second Troop Leader	Lieutenant P.J. Atkinson
Third Troop Leader	Lieutenant P.T. Haindl
Fourth Troop Leader	Lieutenant D.M. Poitras
Squadron Sergeant Major	Master Warrant Officer Lynk, R.J.
Squadron Quarter Master Sergeant	Warrant Officer Smith, R.S.

«C» SQUADRON – LAHR  
Administrative Officer  
Squadron Quarter Master Sergeant

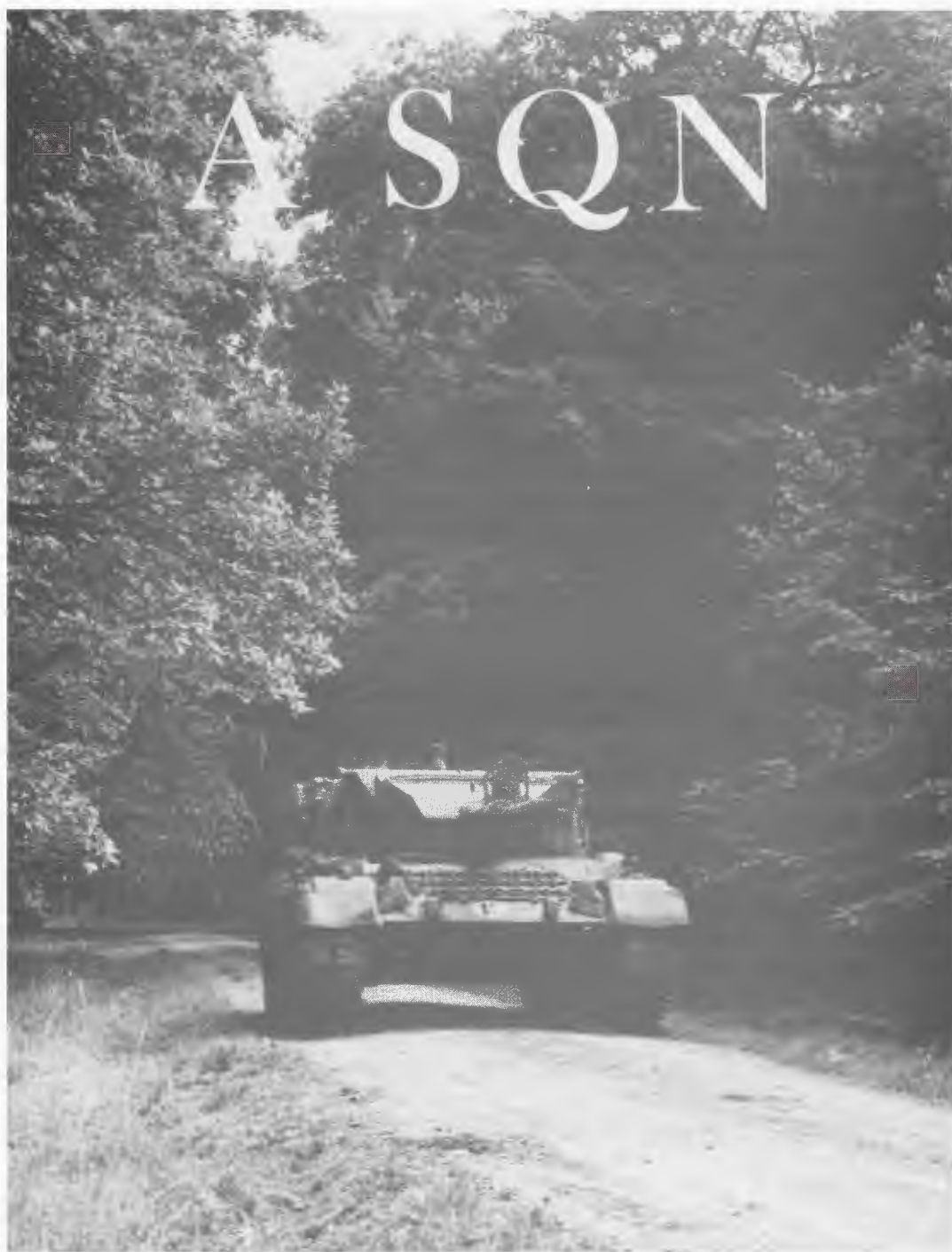
Captain R.M. Hutchings  
Warrant Officer Verge, A.D.

«D» SQUADRON  
Officer Commanding  
Battle Captain  
Liaison Officer  
First Troop Leader  
Second Troop Leader  
Third Troop Leader  
Squadron Sergeant Major  
Operations Warrant Officer  
Squadron Quarter Master Sergeant

Major J.J.B. Price  
Captain M.W. Appleton  
Captain W.J. Natynczyk  
Sergeant Breckenreid, R.W.  
Lieutenant D.W. Kitchen  
Lieutenant L.P. Maybee  
Master Warrant Officer Mercer, S.P.  
Warrant Officer Ellis, G.G.T.  
Sergeant Dalton, A.J.

«HQ» SQUADRON  
Officer Commanding  
Second in Command  
Administrative Officer  
Maintenance Officer  
Quarter Master  
Medical Officer  
Padre (RC)  
Padre (P)  
Squadron Sergeant Major  
Technical Quarter Master Sergeant  
Electrical Technical Sergeant Major  
Squadron Quarter Master Sergeant  
Transport Warrant Officer

Major R.F. Carruthers  
Captain R.A. Black  
Captain J.O.P.P. Pharand  
Captain C.T. Donovan  
Captain N.F. Keizer  
Captain D.K. Ward  
Captain J.M. Parent  
Captain G.W. Scharf  
Master Warrant Officer Hutchinson, H.W.  
Master Warrant Officer Turner, A.R.  
Chief Warrant Officer Roenspiess, R.J.  
Warrant Officer Brown, C.E.  
Warrant Officer Brown, J.G.



## A SQUADRON

Our year always starts with ATI and GOC's and 1982 was no exception. We then progressed through refresher training to gun camp in the spring, Munsingen, Hohenfels, Fallex, return to camp, then the fall courses and Leliefontein, followed by the usual Christmas festivities. This seems to be the magic pattern that is followed year in, year out.

The year 1982 was no different as far as the basic pattern goes. We followed what was written in the stars, and participated in all the Regimental training as decreed. What made «A» Squadron's year different is that we broke with the rest and did our own thing in the way that only «A» Squadron can.

Troop training in Langenhard for example was a novel experiment that proved we and our vehicles could do some effective training in the Lahr area. It brightened up an otherwise dull February and gave us a chance to brush up on basic soldier skills. Lt Mills, for example, gave an excellent demonstration on how not to light a propane stove («Don't worry sir, your eyebrows will grow back»).

Cpl Weeks and good old 18E showed us an excellent example of how slippery mud really can be: «Cec, I'd put the brakes on now!»

«They are on, Tug.»

«Oh, oh.»

And last but not least, Adm Troop provided us with Cpl Barry's pathfinding demonstration, proving once and for all that it was possible to get lost in Langenhard.

Never wanting to rest on our laurels, in March we embarked on the first Squadron Escape and Evasion exercise in quite some time. The inhabitants of Zell am Harmersbach will not soon forget bands of Canadians dressed in coveralls with funny green hats on their heads rampaging through their once peaceful village. There is no truth to the rumour that there was a prize offered for the most original way of wearing a sand bag. Some people took the exercise more seriously than others. This was witnessed by the fact that Tpr Meehan's «School of Creative Cam-paint» did a roaring business. The fact that he was performing his feats of artistic camouflage in a very busy Gasthof in front of some very curious Germans did not deter him in the least.

Lt Kitchen and 2 Tp embarked on a different exercise of their own during the early spring. Billed as Troop Adventure Training in an Alpine Environment (Troop Ski week in Switzerland) they spent a week refreshing their basic soldiering skills in Chateau d'Oex. They returned assuring us that they spent long nights in the chalet studying AFV rec, but we suspect it was more like «Ski-bunny» rec.

The next time the Squadron found itself off on its own was after the annual rotation. We were treated to three weeks in sunny (?) Munsingen. Despite being situated in a field that was reminiscent of Passchendaele 1917, the Squadron spirits soon rose to new heights. From the crack of dawn, when we were greeted by calls to Allah, to the end of our nightly movie (run at 1 1/2 times the normal speed), we kept a busy schedule.

Sometimes our lines looked more like a zoo with hordes of Aardvarks, gaggles of Slugs and a herd of Salamanders all chasing chickens through the monsoons. But despite the weather we were always ready to move at a moment's notice (particularly our well-practiced volunteer fire department).

Our training in Munsingen paid off however, as our performance in Fallex proved. We were always to the front battling the foe into the ground with our famous battle cry: «Where did all those «\*o&en» M-1's come from !»

Who can forget Capt Donnelly's infamous half-squadron charge through Kitzingen at rush hour. We should have been tipped off that the odds weren't in our favour by all the signs that pointed to different US Kasernes.

A sample radio conversation from this battle:

«1 this is 13, Contact gr 451784 4 M-1 tanks engaged me from the supermarket parking lot while

I was stopped at a red light! Over!»

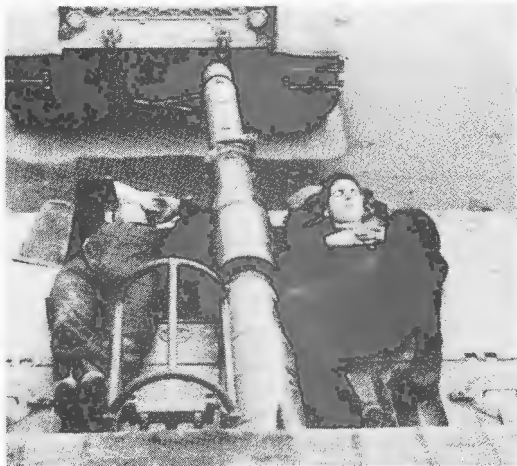
«1 Roger, press on out!»

As the year draws to an end, the Squadron is looking forward to 1983, confident that it will once again prove that it is number one.

«A» Squadron – Active, Able, Aggressive.



«All right, who's got my beret?»



Recharging batteries



«What are you looking at?»



One of «A» Squadron's more famous drivers receives his safe driving certificate from the CO.



Aardvarks and Slugs prepare to do combat.



«No Joe, the tent, the tent. . .»



Would you buy a used tank from these men?



SAM Troop with their tug-of-war anchor man.



## **293 PANZER BATTALION YEARLY REPORT 1982**

1982 was very successful in training and exercises. The culminating point was the closing off with the live-firing divisional Exercise, «FLINKES STACHELTIER» from 8-13 November.

In the beginning of the New Year the Battalion was deployed to Bergen Hohne where the weather hindered the training with snow and cold (minus 28 degrees) but training carried on.

In February, Lieutenant Colonel Stamm visited the RCD to discuss training and an exchange of troops for the month of March.

In the month of May, 3 Company of 291 Panzer Battalion was attached to 293 Panzer Battalion for one week in Munsingen; this was a challenge to the troops as the weather was cold, with rain and mud.

During the month of June part of the Battalion went on a two-week training period in Hohenfels; the rumor was that they would be part of the CAT team.

As the yearly vacation ended there were three more training periods in Bergen. In between there was the divisional live-shooting competition as mentioned above. Another highlight was our participation in «The Challenge de l'Amitie», an infantry competition between 293 Panzer Battalion and their sister unit 12e Regiment Curassier from Mulheim. The happy winners of this competition were 3 Company 293 Panzer Battalion and a company of 12e Regiment Curassier.

### **POSTINGS AND CHANGES IN THE BATTALION**

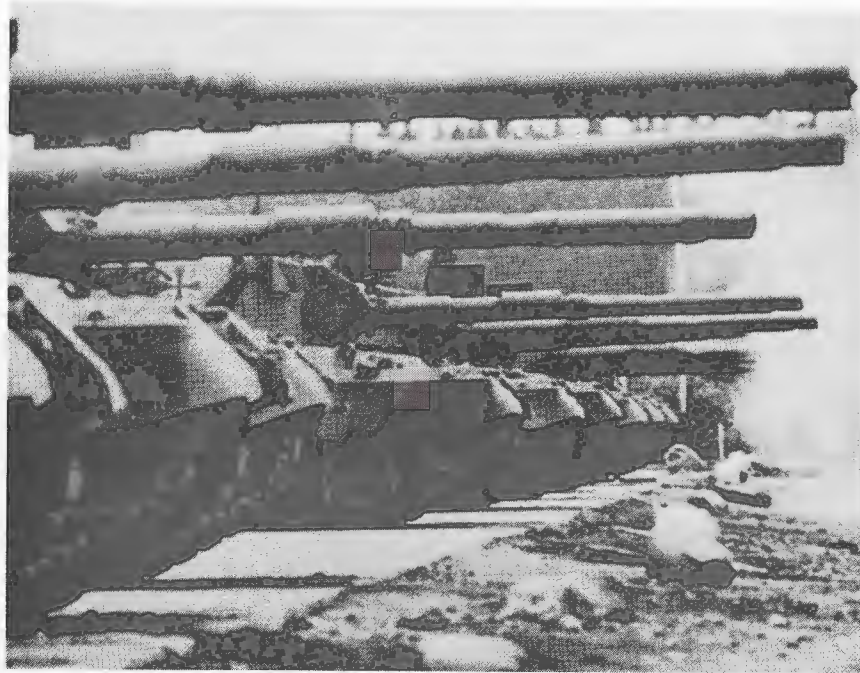
First Lieutenants Herrmann and Jacobs posted to Munsingen by Durren as Company Commanders. First Lieutenant Loch to 3 Company 293 Panzer Battalion. Captain Sargasser posted to CTC Munster. Master Warrant Officer Murgas posted to Tübingen and replaced by First Sergeant Zeiser.



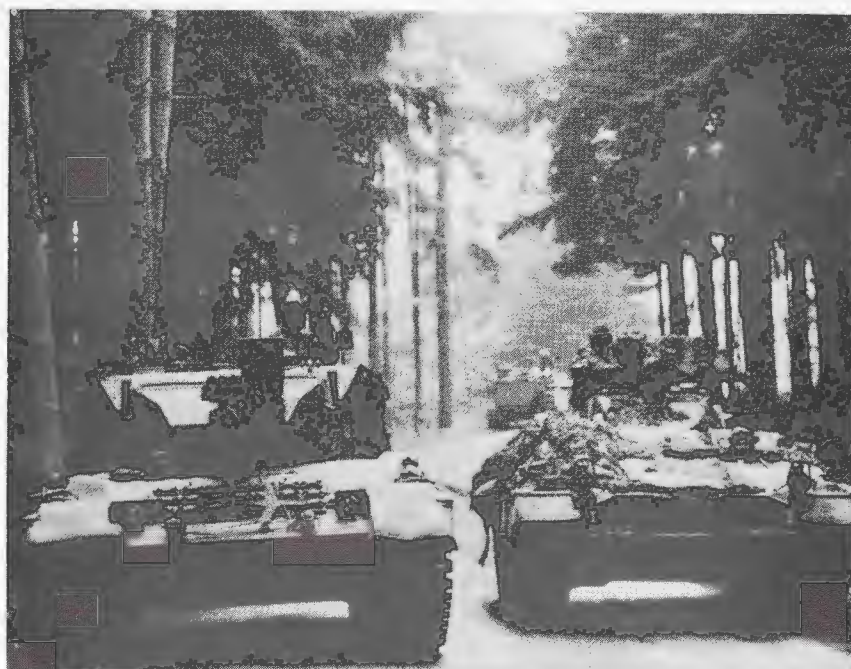
Night firing by the 3 Coy in Münsingen.



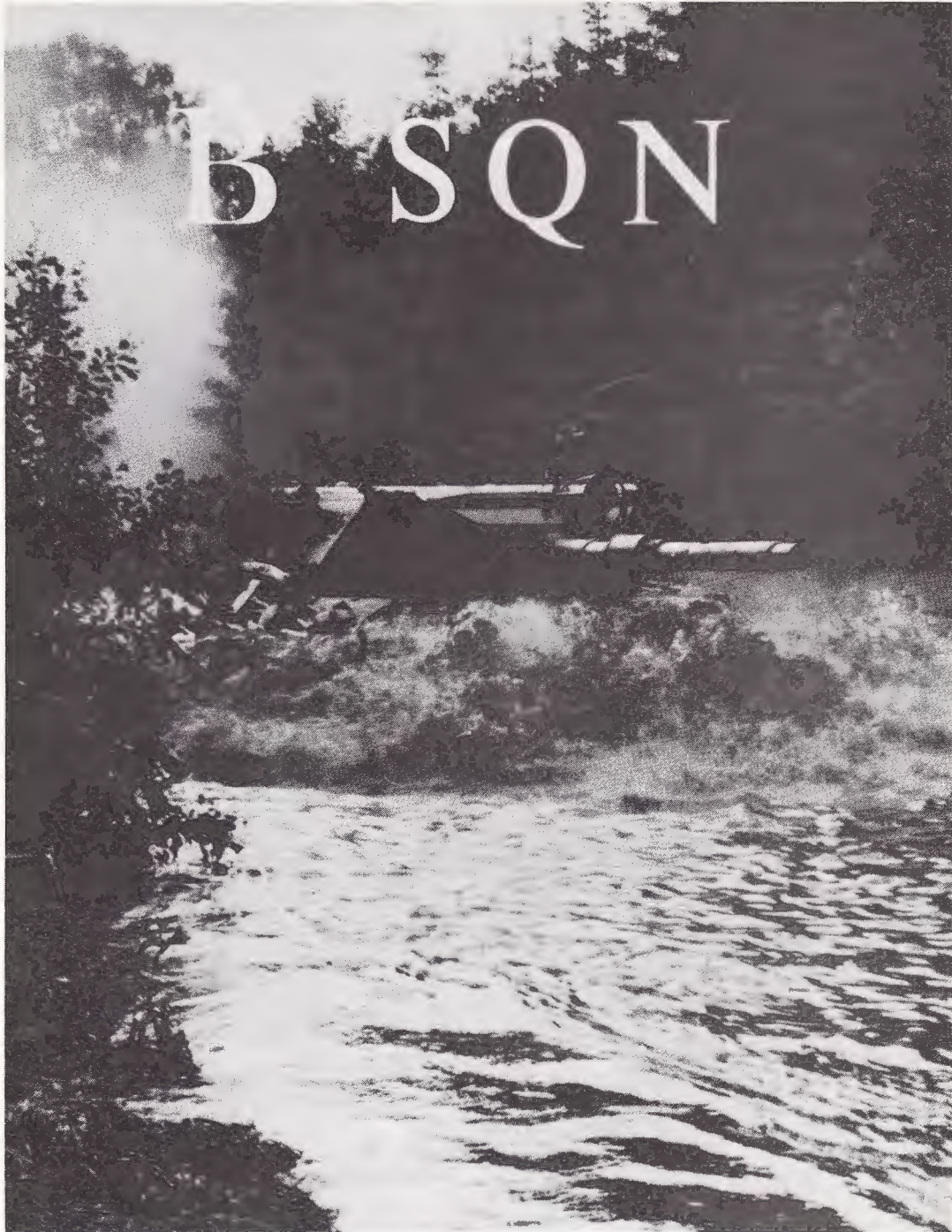
Display of MBT to 3 Coy of the 293 in June 1982, followed by an Open House for the parents.



2 Coy on firing pad in Bergen, September 1982.



During the divisional exercise «Flinkes Stacheltier» the 2 Coy exercises with the 293 Panzer Bn.



## B SQUADRON

«Well Comrade Spy, how are you liking new assignment with Canadian Guards Tank unit?»

«Is horrible comrade General! These «B» Squadron peoples are all the time workink or travelling. In January they finish ATI with good marks and maintenance warrant officer, WO Leclerc still have all his hair. Is amazing! Then they have great tank polishing contest for Brigadier. On inspection, Brigadier ask three soldiers if they are liking army (silly person) and he find out they are all going crab fishing in Alaska. The troop warrant, WO Brown must own boat Tprs Laidlaw, Ramsay and Maggiolo will work on.»

«Then Comrade General, is off to Schramberg to practise finding small places in big woods. They having big surprise when small hurricane blow away tents. WO McPherson was seen chasing gliders down runway. WO Brown's crab fisherman find most small places quickest with least cheating getting caught!»

«Then, Comrade General, is highlight of year, great summer migration to Hamburg and visit to Bergen-Hohne to shoot many targets and start many fires.»

«In which place Comrade Spy?»

«Ho, Ho is big joke comrade general, but honestly they have Three troop with Capt Lacroix, WO McPherson and Sgt Emerson and MCpl Wright who win best troop and help squadron win Ram's Head Trophy! Is much rejoicing!»

«I fear for our tank crews comrade spy! This is awful!»

«Then, Comrade General, off they go to Munsingen to practise fighting rain and mud. Tpr Jones try to prove to Capt Kennedy at squadron party that eggs help make hair grow. It not working yet! WO Cleveland learned that you shouldn't listen to SSM when he whispers in your ear in a troop leaguer at night! SHQ troop learned old Indian trick to make rain. They do it every time they move!»

«Then they rest, right Comrade Spy?»

«No Comrade General. One week later, off to Hohenfels going with new Major named after swords who is ideal size for T-62. In FALLEX, they are so treasured by infantry peoples that RHQ was forced to give them to all infantry peoples to pass on expertise. Sgt Mantel learn what it is like to be a Major for a night and 2Lts Atkins and Thomas learn how many rum and cokes Maj Mantel can drink. Sgt Wheeler finds out that kitchen trailers roll easier than destroyers but make less smoke. Then off they go to great exercise called Carbine Fortress where they help local farmers plow up fields and use tanks as corn harvesters and beet crushers.»

«They are being very kind, comrade spy, to help farmers.»

«Is more Comrade General! Call Sign 26, commanded by great Polish warrior, MCpl Wionzek and Tprs Campbell and Billingsley capture a dragon!»

«Dragon is extinct comrade spy!»

«No Comrade General, it is an anti-tank missile. SHQ renamed OC's tank, Gasthaus Slaght because Sgt Slaght try to make everyone too big to fit in tank.»

«Now they get rest and medals, right comrade spy?»

«No Comrade General, then back to Lahr, lots of maintenance, courses, Leliefontein and no soldiers left to do it all. No rest for weary. I have aged five years.»

«You have proof of all this comrade spy?»

«Of course Comrade General! Look pictures.»



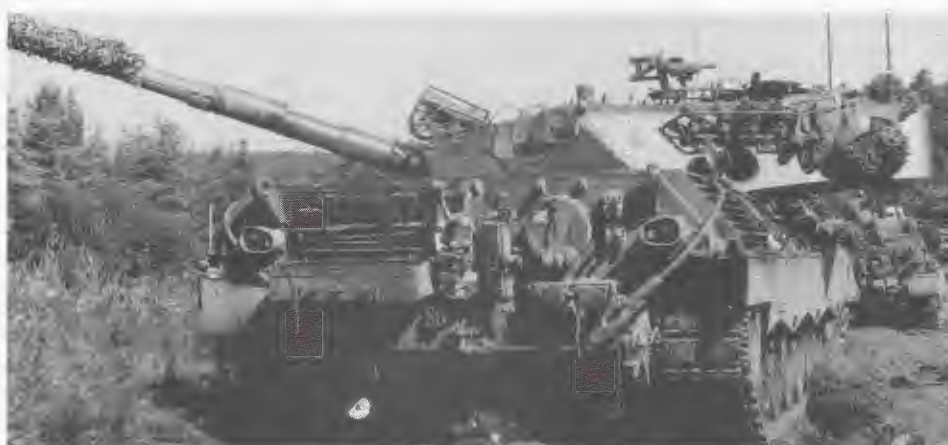
«Now where is that 459th pogo point?»



«Smile all you want, big fella. Only two pieces of French toast!»



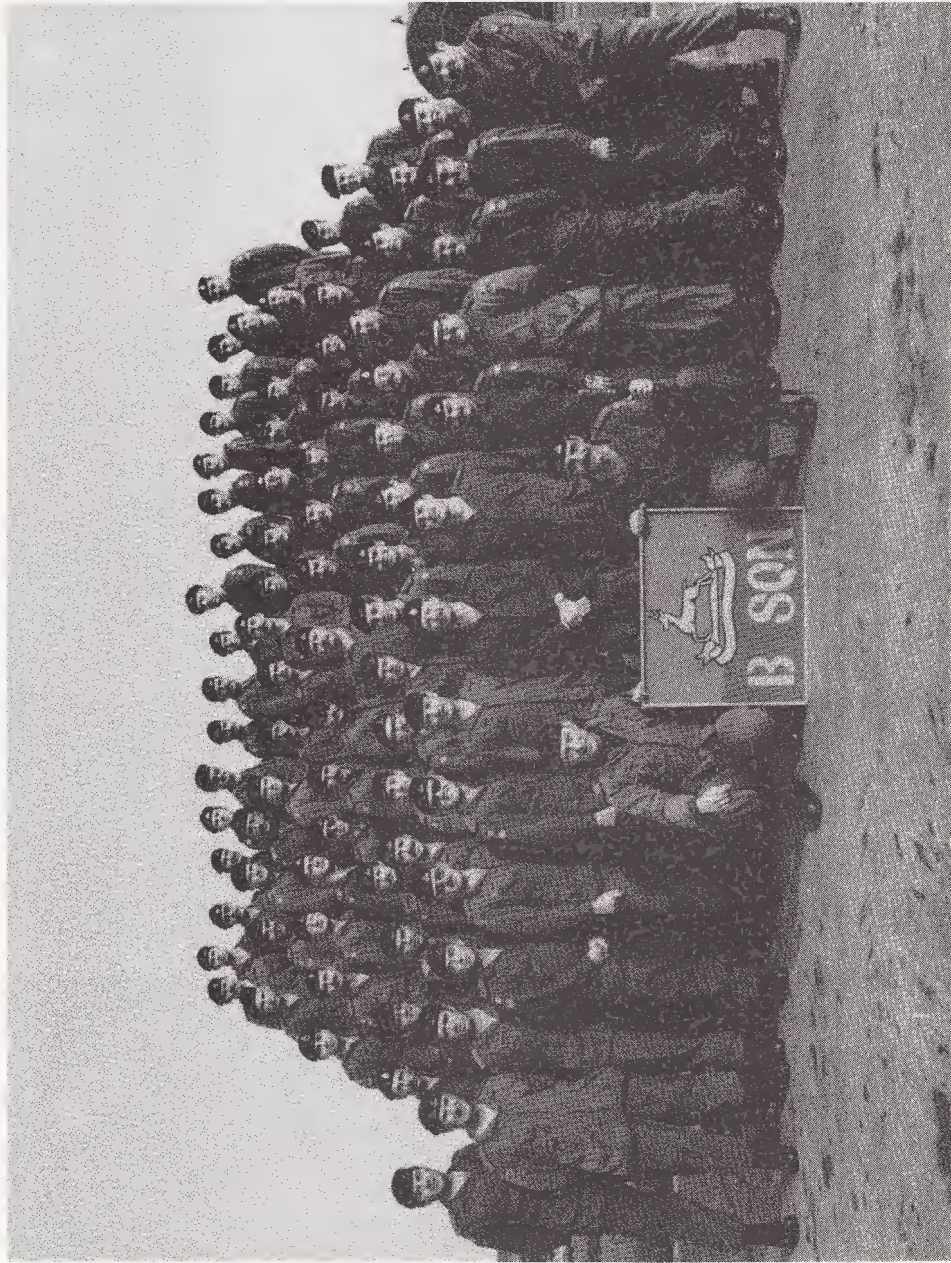
«Not just a bunch of pretty faces, we hit things too.»



A Hohenfels mud monster stalks its prey!



«The warrant said we need more people, so look what I got.»



## CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONIES

After spending three weeks on the ranges in Bergen Hohne, the Regiment returned on 18 June to prepare for the Change of Command ceremonies. The thunder of the 105 mm guns was replaced by the cadence of foot drill. The time was short. Crews cleaned their vehicles and weapons as well as practised for the parade on 25 June.

The week was busy but time was set aside for social functions. The Officers and the Warrant Officers and Sergeants each held a rotation dining-in to celebrate the occasion. An all ranks dance was also held at the Centennial Club as the last Regimental social get-together prior to summer rotation.

Parade day was quickly upon us. The Commander 4 CMBG, BGen John de Chastelain, reviewed the parade. Also present was the Colonel of the Regiment, BGen Jean-Prospere Gautier. Although the Brigade Commander and Colonel of the Regiment officiated over the Change of Command ceremonies, several noteworthy visitors attended the parade. BGen Gord Kitchen, promoted MGen on 1 July and appointed Senior Serving Dragoon on 26 July, was in attendance. LGen René Gutknecht, Canadian Military Representative to NATO; LGen Jim Quinn, Colonel of the Regiment (8 CH); BGen B.R. Campbell, Commander 1 CAG; BGen Jim Fox; Col Rudy Parent, Base Commander Lahr; and Herr Dietz, Oberbürgermeister Lahr were also in attendance.

As the clock struck 1800 hrs, CWO MacAdams called the markers and formed the Regiment on parade. LCol Clive Addy took command of the parade and invited the reviewing officer to inspect the Regiment. After the march past, LCol Addy officiated over the appointment of the new RSM, CWO Ron Marriott, by the Colonel of the Regiment. LCol Addy then handed command of the Regiment over to the new Commanding Officer, LCol Darrell Dean. LCol Dean took command and led the Regiment in a roll past to end the Change of Command ceremonies.

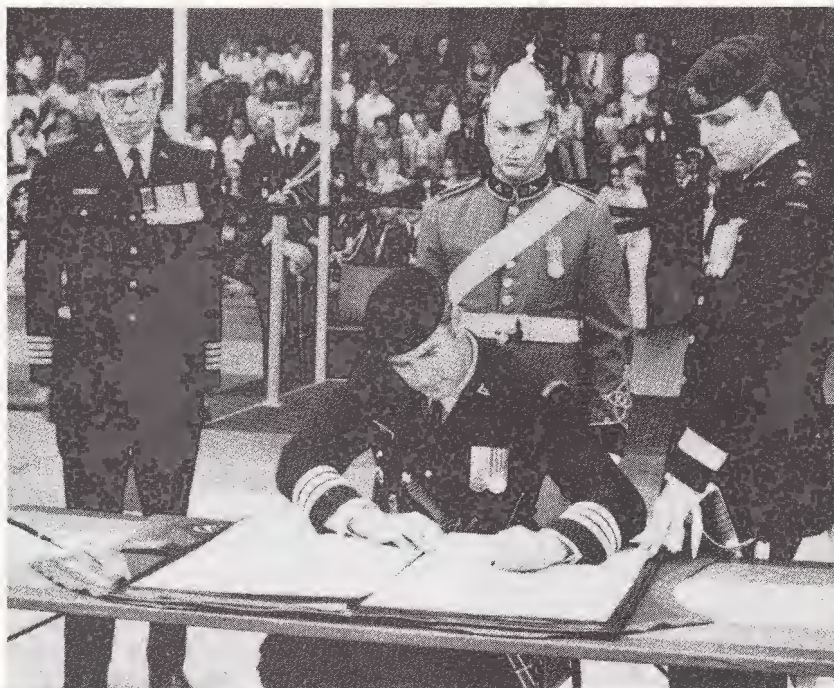
A post parade reception was held in N-50 for all guests, the Regiment and their families.



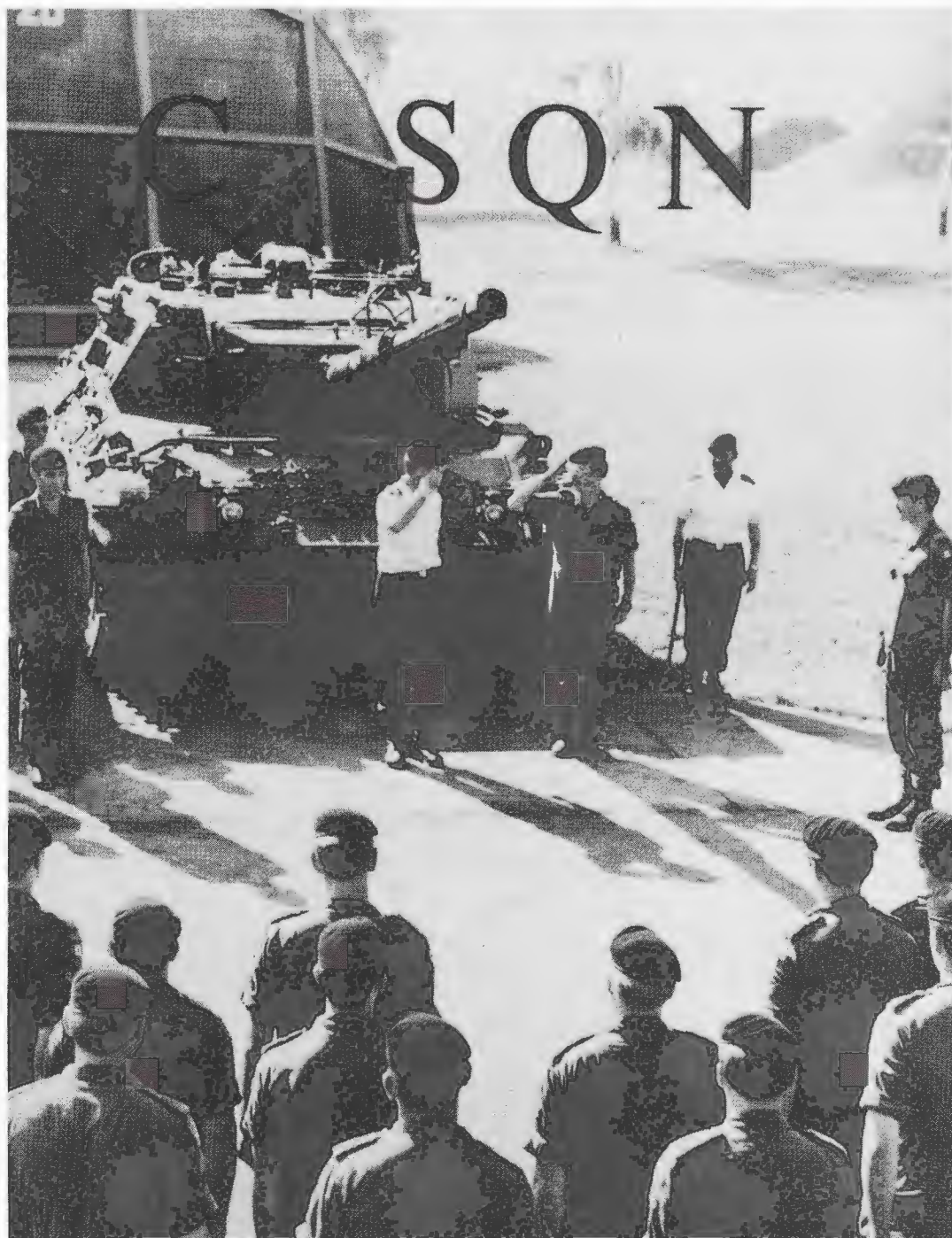
Prior to handing over command of the Regiment LCol C.J. Addy oversees the ceremony of appointment of the new RSM. CWO A.L. MacAdams hands over his pace-stick to BGen J.P. Gautier, Colonel of the Regiment, who in turn appoints CWO R.J. Marriott as the new RSM.



LCol C.J. Addy signs the scrolls passing command of the Regiment to LCol D.M. Dean, who then signed accepting command of the Regiment.



BGen Jean Prosper Gautier, Colonel of the Regiment, and BGen John de Chastelain witnessed the signing of the scrolls.



## C SQUADRON GAGETOWN AND THE FOUR SEASONS

Training for war with none in sight  
Can't be a bore, and must be done right.  
For C Force in Canada you see,  
We train to augment the RCD.

The new year begins with ice and snow  
Long days of work, and many to go.  
For the ATI is here once more,  
With gun checks and track work, just like before.

Once this is complete and the tanks can all go  
It's time for soldiers to tread through the snow.  
Adventure training is next on the list,  
But 35 miles, two troop can resist!

Springtime for some is flowers abloom,  
For others it's lasers and guns that go boom.  
Gun camp arrives and lectures begin,  
With gunnery gods all checking for sin.

Tactics; the stuff to stop a disaster,  
Requires much time and effort to master.  
Field work, rain, and WTP  
All mean support to CTC.

Future Squadron Commanders descend  
On C Force to drive us round the bend.  
Combat team ops they hope to try,  
For soldiers the question remains: but why?

In Gagetown the summer brings us heat  
Sweat, sunshine, and track pads to beat.  
The Semi Annuals become our chore,  
And maintenance tasks we do once more.

Alas, block leave and camping we go  
With R and R rewards to show.  
For work well done or soon to be,  
We rest, and frolic by the sea.

Autumn, a blaze of changing leaves  
Finds C Force under German eaves.  
The Regiment again is whole  
As C Squadron meets its primary role.

Five weeks of work and training is done  
But not without a little fun.  
In the end the time does fly,  
And C Force comes back through the sky.

Once back home the work resumes;  
Demos, courses, inspections loom,  
6A, drivers and gunners train,  
But don't forget Leliefontein.

December brings a slower pace,  
As parties move from place to place.  
The year then ends much like the start,  
With tanks prepared to pull apart.



Col Gautier visits «C» Squadron in March 1982 and inspects quarter guard. Left to right: Guard Commander, Sgt Betts, Aide, Lt Poitras, Tpr Carter, Cpl Boutilier, Tpr Soucy and Cpl Procter.



«Cpl Aymar, did you polish these boots today?»



«Winter conditions help cool the action during Gun Camp in June!»



During the Colonel of the Regiment's March visit at K-17, Cpl Speck wonders if the Colonel will get unstuck!



Col Gautier, Maj Meating and Capt Watson tour K-17, March 1982.



Hockey at the Base Arena in CTC HL - «C» Squadron had a very strong team and finished second.



BGen J.J. Morneault (Comd CTC) inspects third troop, escorted by Lt P.J. Atkinson during the Commander's Inspection on 15 October 1982; (left to right) Tpr Evans, MCpl Mercier, Cpl Feltmate and Cpl Morneau (sleeping).



Lt P.J. Atkinson (left), Brigadier Snow (reviewing officer and immediate past Colonel of the Regiment RCR) and Maj Meating enter the church for the ceremony commemorating the action at Leliefontein, 6 November 1982.

## C SQUADRON-LAHR

AO to the Sentry: «Was that the SQMS who just passed looking for this harbour?»

Sentry: «Yessir.»

AO: «Did you stop or challenge him?»

Sentry: «Nope!»

AO: «He has our rations, and your bounty bars. . . . No: no . . . don't chase the truck, come back.»

No names no pack drill; but that culminated ten months of refresher training.

Although maintaining 32 A and B vehicles with only 27 men is a demanding and full-time job, «C» Squadron did find time for some individual and collective training.

Exercise Blackout Drive took place in April at Langenhard; the maintenance and the armoured troops learned the difference between «BOD» and «Bed». At Gun Camp «C» Squadron took four tanks and three fitter APCs to Bergen for shooting. (The mechs were much happier when it was explained that their APCs were not the targets!) All personnel had the opportunity to fill various crew jobs, including Cpl Lepage who learned how important it is to stop at bounds during battle-run driving.

At rotation time ten soldiers graduated from «C» Squadron and ten new trainees were received to start the annual slave drive to prepare the tanks and B vehicles for the flyover.

The whole lot was moved to Hohenfels in time for a very accommodating reception for the Gagetown Squadron members. «A» and «B» Squadrons, who helped to crew the vehicles for the tank train move were very impressed with our kit preparation and went through all the tools carefully! «C» Squadron was impressed too, however, and very smooth co-operation between Lahr and Gagetown personnel ensued. MCpl John Hendsbee's mobile shower point at A2 echelon was a great success and anyone wishing to make a modest contribution to the Squadron fund can obtain negatives at this address.

Also a big hit was Sgt Benny Paquin's 24-hour towing service. Apparently some SSMs are still expressing their gratitude.

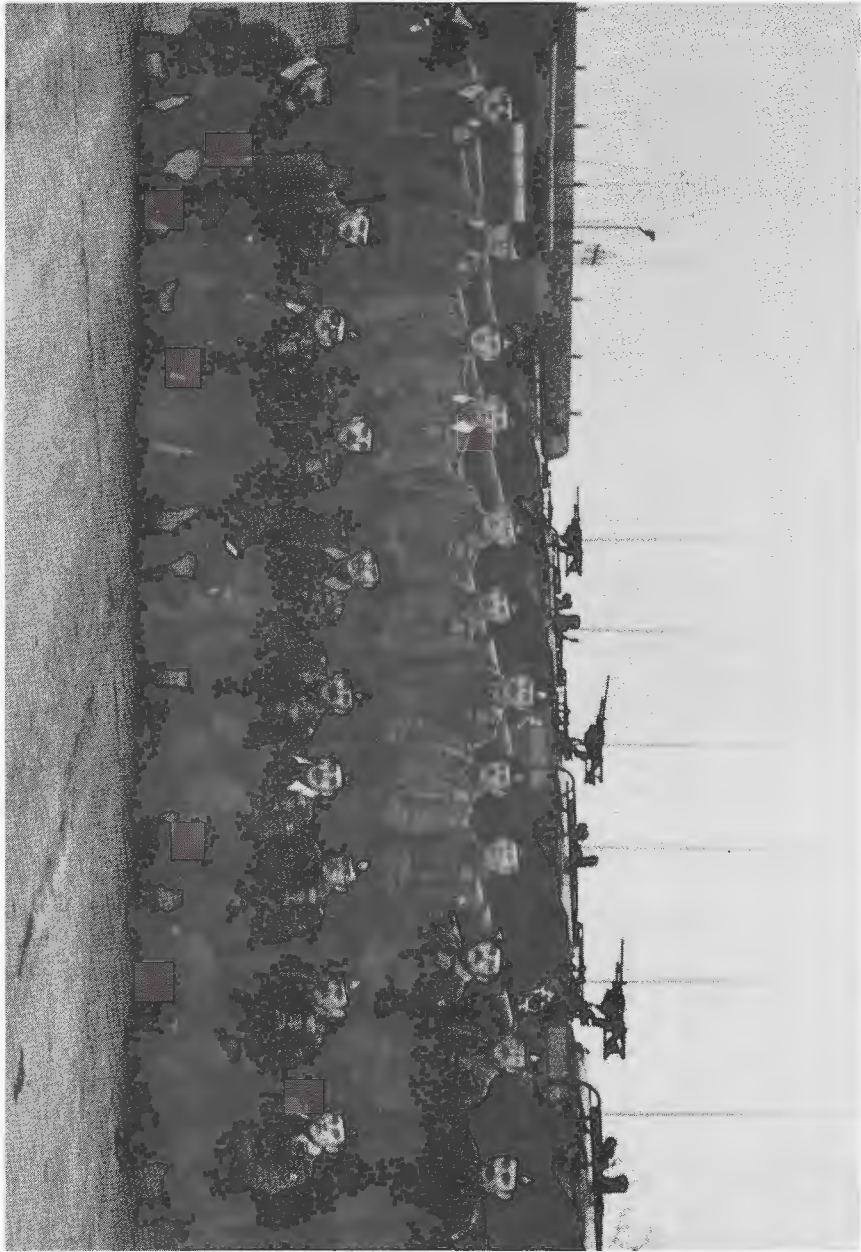
Cpl Jim Dunham attempted to give driving lessons to Sgt Red Ellis on the ARV but found himself covered in mud — «Caroline» stuck for the first time.

Trooper «Mac» McGregor, who drove the garbage truck and water trailer, seemed to be able to home-in on dumps, even without a map. Often he could be heard singing «A garbage man is a person in your neighbourhood.»

Back in garrison «C» Squadron swung back into the never-ending maintenance program. Eleven tanks were prepared to participate in the Leliefontein displays and the Chief Steward MCpl Tony Schnurr ricocheted through three mess dinners in three nights.

Four personnel went adventure-training sailing at the British Army Sailing Centre in Kiel. Troopers Bob Baron and Al Dadds began to wonder if they'd be ordered onto the Baltic Sea in their little dinghy after their third trip rowing around the harbour.

1982 was great; «C» you next year.



## NIJMEGEN 1982

The Nijmegen Marches are organized each year by the Royal Netherlands League for Physical Culture to encourage participants in improving their level of physical fitness and to foster international relations. It started out in 1910 as an event for the military only. It was later broadened to include civilian groups and individuals but each year still sees a large representation from the armies of most west European countries, the United States and Canada. Civilian representatives from as far away as Japan travel each year to the Netherlands for the famous four-day marches.

For many individuals the gruelling event is an annual pilgrimage. As with childbirth, the agony at the time is soon forgotten and the participants begin to look forward to doing it again. In 1982 the Nijmegen Marches were held for the 66th time and there was at least one person there who had done all of the previous 65.

The marches are not intended to be competitive and, indeed, every finisher is a winner. Age or sex is of no consequence; physical strength is less important than stamina and determination. It is not unusual to occasionally see a one-legged elderly gentleman on crutches making his way steadily down the road while young, tired soldiers, resting on the sidelines, look on in amazement.

For military teams the requirement is to march 40 kilometres on four successive days carrying a 10 kilogram pack without losing more than 10 per cent of the team. To the uninitiated, 40 kilometres with a relatively light pack may not seem difficult — and it is not, once! But to do the distance four days in a row with no opportunity to heal the inevitable blisters, sprains and other assorted afflictions is somewhat more challenging.

For 1982 a Regimental team was started in April with 31 personnel coming out for the first training session. Unfortunately other training commitments, personal leave plans and injuries took their toll so that the final RCD Nijmegen team consisted of 15 marchers with only 11 of the original 31 still present.

The Nijmegen venture began in earnest Sunday 18 July with the deployment of the RCD team (along with about 20 other Canadian teams) by bus to Cap Heumensoord, about five kilometres from Nijmegen. Monday 19 July was free for administration and rest, so a brief battlefield tour was conducted thanks to the loan of a mini-bus from the 1 R22eR support cell. Important areas seen were the famous bridge at Arnhem, the museum at the former Hardestein Hotel and a war cemetery in Arnhem. Not wanting to waste the availability of the mini-bus the team also visited MacDonald's restaurant and a nude beach.

The actual marches were conducted 20-23 July under excellent weather conditions. The sunshine and blue skies brought out huge crowds all along the route and the numerous military bands were well-sited to restore flagging spirits. Within the Canadian contingent the skirl of the bagpipes was rarely out of hearing. The kilometres flew by relatively easily as the color, excitement, crowds, music and scantily clad female marchers all helped to distract attention from the pains.

Each evening after a period of recuperation the hardier souls tasted the night-life of the city. Nijmegen is normally a quiet, unexciting, provincial community, but when the annual Sommerfest and the four-day marches are scheduled for the same week, the whole place takes on a carnival atmosphere. Street bands, beer tents, milling crowds and a variety of exhibitions kept the streets alive until the wee hours. Although our team members were tempted to indulge in excessive libations, being true Dragoons they partook only moderately.

The last kilometre of the last day's march was finally completed on the afternoon of Friday 23 July. The entire team completed the distance though several members were badly blistered and one was later found to have a stress fracture in one foot. The final victory parade through the flower-strewn streets of Nijmegen was a sweet finish to a rough week. Afterwards, back at the camp, the CO and RSM congratulated the troops, presented the medals and joined in a brew or two while the war stories were recounted at length.

When it was all over the Regiment had every reason to be proud of its Nijmegen representatives. Despite limited training time and numerous personnel changes the team came together as a cohesive, spirited group and kept that spirit right to the end. Every man completed the distance and did it with style. Many of these masochists were even heard making plans to do it all again next year.



The RCD Nijmegen Team

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## RECCE SQN REVIEW 1982

As the Squadron marched by on 25 June 1982, the mid point of the year was upon us.



And we all waited and contemplated on what was to come.



Behind us was a year of many events. The recce crew commander's course in February really gave the boys a challenge.



The Escape and Evasion exercise that came in March was a real test of initiative and survival skills. Tpr Giroux and Tpr Cote at one point tied their boot laces together and with the aid of their cap badge pin and some beans caught five trout . . . from a stocked pond!



It was surprising though, that more people weren't caught even under the watchful eye of the combat mechs!

April-May 1982 saw the Boeselager Team, principally made up from Recce Squadron, finish with an outstanding third place in the Allied class. A job well done!



The Squadron deployed for Bergen Hohne by rail and sea.

The boys got right into the troop competitions and achieved very successful results.



Münsingen and the Hohenfels training brought the Squadron into a tightly-knit unit. At this time honorable mention must be made of 2 Tp who, under the command of Lt Dave Kitchen, finished first in the troop tests.

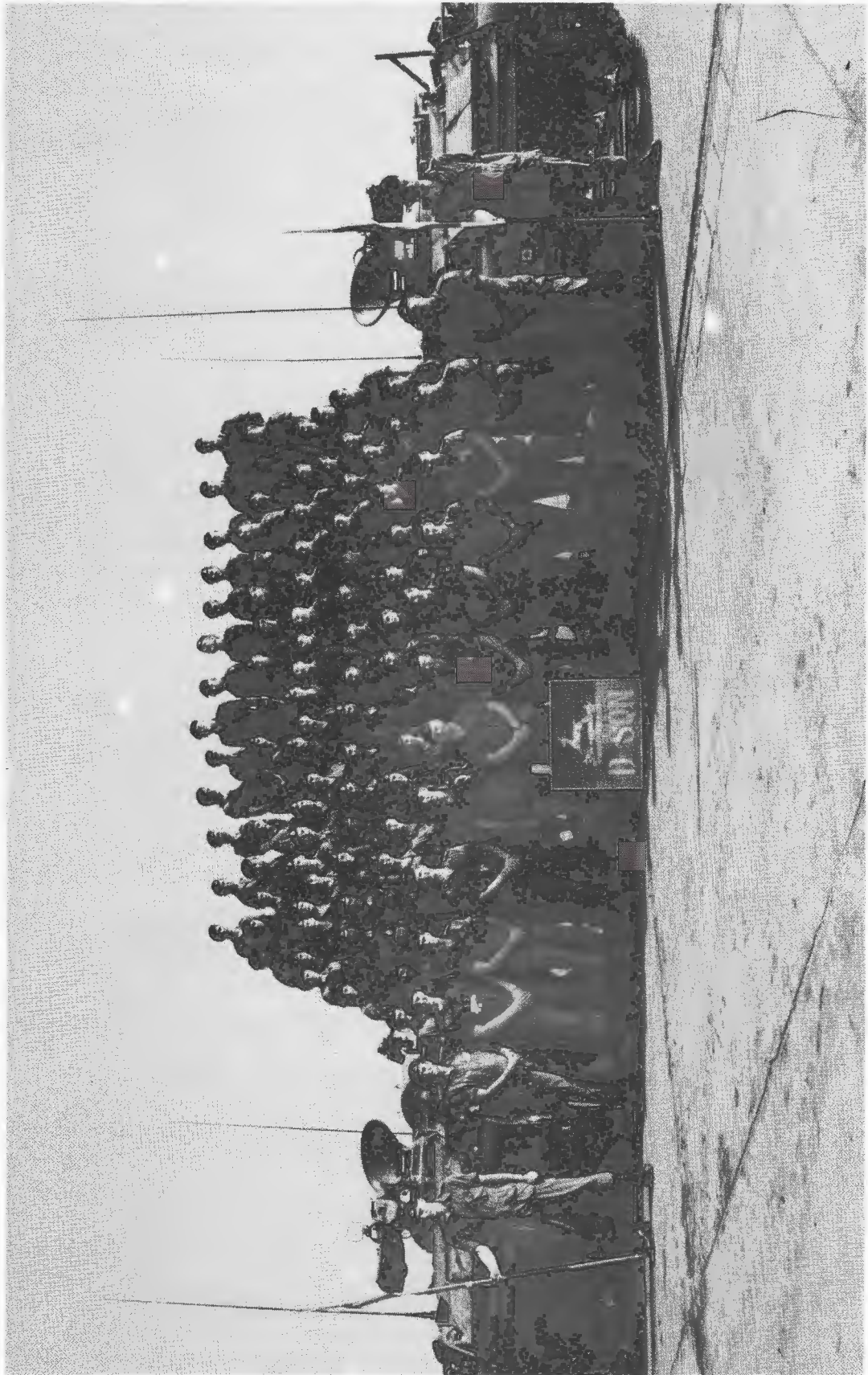


«As normal, Recce leads the way!»

As a result of the work-ups the «Eyes and Ears of the Brigade» performed admirably on the Brigade and Corps exercises and remains ever-ready!



We would like to express our appreciation to those who have served with us and we look forward to meeting them again. Lastly we thank 444 THS for their super recce support and their rest area.



## RCD BOESELAGER TEAM

As most of the members of the Royal Canadian Dragoons realize, the Boeselager event is unique in the world of international competition. Teams from Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, the Netherlands and the USA participated in what is known as the Olympics of armoured reconnaissance.

This year 15 members from all the Regiment's Squadrons bonded together to form the Canadian contingent, represented by the RCD. Although we did not win the event we placed third. The team won international recognition and respect for our sportsmanship, camaraderie, skill, fitness and most important, the inherent Canadian desire to win. It took four long months of arduous training to achieve a competitive level of fitness.

In January 28 members of the Regiment tried out for the team. After five days of fitness, marksmanship and various skills-testing the team was reduced to 15 men. From here we trained for six weeks to meet the challenge of the USAEUR Cavalry Cup. This is an American invitational event based on the actual Boeselager activities. It was here that the Americans selected two out of 15 teams to carry on and represent the USA in the actual Boeselager event. This year the RCD team placed first in the allied nation class and proudly presented the trophy to «D» Squadron to display with the rest of the Boeselager treasures.

From the Cavalry Cup we proceeded on various road trips and field exercises to prepare us for the big event. On the morning of 16 May, 22 teams from all the competing nations paraded at Ingolstadt, West Germany, to celebrate the opening ceremonies.

The next three days proved to be a supreme test of our skill and endurance. With little or no sleep the team moved from event to event, fighting off the exhaustion and the crushing pressure of international competition. Our placing in the nine events listed below varied, but we were consistent in our desire and drive to succeed. The events were:

- reconnaissance patrol;
- marksmanship;
- helicopter reconnaissance;
- skilled driving;
- aquatics race in combats;
- a 3.5 - to 4-km cross-country race with weapons;
- an 18-km night orienteering race in fighting order;
- an AFV test; and
- a 190 m obstacle course composed of 13 obstacles.

The final result of third place is now history. Future teams will do better. Preparations and planning for improvement are continually being devised and actioned with one objective in mind: to prove to the countries of NATO that Canada is a competitor and that they may rest assured that when the time comes, we are ready!



«The Team»

Lt Ferron - The team captain assesses the situation - Recce patrol.



Tpr Faulkner - The true meaning of Boeselager?



C/S Beta 13A - A true test of all Recce skills! MCpl Mulhern, Tpr Steward and Cpl Mulligan.



Number one on the range.



Cpl Bartlett negotiates obstacle course.



Tpr DiStefano displays good form at finishing line.



The deadly cross-country race.

## THE BLUES AND ROYALS REGIMENTAL NOTES

Commanding Officer:

LCol J.D. Smith-Bingham

Adjutant:

Capt W.T. Browne

Regimental Corporal Major:

M.A. Patterson

The Regiment started the New Year with the now-expected courses. Many crewmen were attaining their second trade, either gunnery or driving, and those more senior were being upgraded in their present trades. Regimental field training does not start until April so there has been plenty of time to send soldiers on external courses.

We have continued to provide assistance to schools' exercises, mainly on Salisbury Plain. These gave the squadrons a chance to get away from barrack routine and, although sometimes repetitive, were mostly enjoyed. The weather in January certainly tested some of the younger drivers who had not driven a tracked vehicle in snowy or icy conditions before. «A» Squadron, after converting to Ferret Scout Cars, departed for the UN in Cyprus; this was the cause of some amusement because there is a Mk V Ferret sitting outside the Museum as an historical piece.

At Windsor, the period of troop training planned for April was reduced to just over one squadron going to Salisbury Plain for one week. Unusually, the weather was very good and the brief spell in the field was enjoyed by those involved. This was immediately followed by Calvary weekend. The Association dinner was fully subscribed as usual; some 340 members attended of which a large number remained active until early morning. Judging by the turn-out on parade on Sunday, there were few casualties from the night before. The parade was commanded by our Colonel, Gen Sir Desmond Fitzpatrick, and the salute was taken by the Duke of Beaufort.

May also stretched our reserves. RHQ and two SHQs took part in a Brigade Exercise. This was followed by The Royal Windsor Horse show where we supplied some 40 men to undertake tasks from driving Range Rovers to Ring Orderlies. This year the show was a particular success due to the very good weather throughout the week. Two troops from «C» Squadron were fortunate to take part in a six-week exercise in Canada.

The month of June also had its high points. «B» Squadron completed their annual firing in Castle-martin prior to their UNFICYP tour. Various exercises and displays were produced, including a display for the British Army Exhibition at Aldershot. Readers may well ask how such things could take place over the time of Royal Ascot. Times have changed in the past 15 years. The Regimental coach was free from military details for the four important days and carried a full array of passengers and hampers to the Royal Meeting.

July was a month of triumph and tragedy; it saw the return of our troops attached to the Task Force and it witnessed the results of the bomb blast at Knightsbridge.

On their return from the Falklands the two troops drove through the centre of Windsor past the Mayor and the Regimental Lieutenant Colonel, and finally returned to barracks to drive past the Colonel of the Regiment. During Op Corporate the two troops, commanded by Lts Coreth and Innes-Ker, found themselves attached to all but one of the battalions out there, including both the Scots and Welsh Guards. They participated in the great majority of the action and it would be fair to say that the Scorpions and Scimitars proved their worth in some very inhospitable country. The whole homecoming was tragically marred a week later by the bombs in London, which left a very bitter taste.

Early in July Regimental training had taken place on Salisbury Plain. What remained of the Regiment, due to a Squadron being in Cyprus, was bolstered by the Oxford University RAC Troop. Maj Davies was visibly both shocked and delighted that half his attached troop was female. This did not seem to affect morale unduly, and SCM Sayer was heard to exclaim, «Gawd . . . they're tough!» «B» Squadron spent only the first few days with us training for their forthcoming operational tour in Cyprus. Realistic simulation of possible incidents was nearly carried to an extreme when they put a hole in a parked civilian car with a 2-inch mortar.

Subsequently «B» Squadron left for Cyprus in mid-August to take over from «A» Squadron which had spent a glorious summer out there. But with the summer they had to be content because it was straight back to work on their return, with no possibility of leave until the middle of October.

As August slipped into September we repaired once more to Salisbury Plain for the warm-up for the Autumn exercises in Germany. Having warmed up, we embarked for Schleswig-Holstein on 10 September, and after spending a week in a field in Denmark last year, we could see no reason for not repeating the experience again, and subsequently did so. However, the QM did us very well and we lived most comfortably.

The Regiment, less «B» Squadron, which was still in Cyprus, finally concentrated back in Windsor in early October at the conclusion of Exercise Bold Guard. On 14 October we bade farewell to Lt Col J.G. Hamilton-Russell and welcomed Lt Col J.D. Smith-Bingham who assumed command. As usual, with the lead-up to annual firing, there was frantic activity throughout late October and November. The Gunnery Instructors, who for the rest of the year remain in hibernation, break out their pressed denims, eat raw meat and lay waste to everything and everyone in sight. Even the Regimental Corporal Major was seen behind the gun at one stage, a sight that shocked everyone, but himself the most.

Gunnery Camp at Castlemartin was a success but wet, which did not make the battle runs any easier. The Adjutant appeared in Wales but, muttering something about an important conference and the noise being bad for his hearing, disappeared after 48 hours.

The week before going on leave, on 17 December, saw the usual round of parties terminating with the soldiers' Christmas Lunch on 16 December.



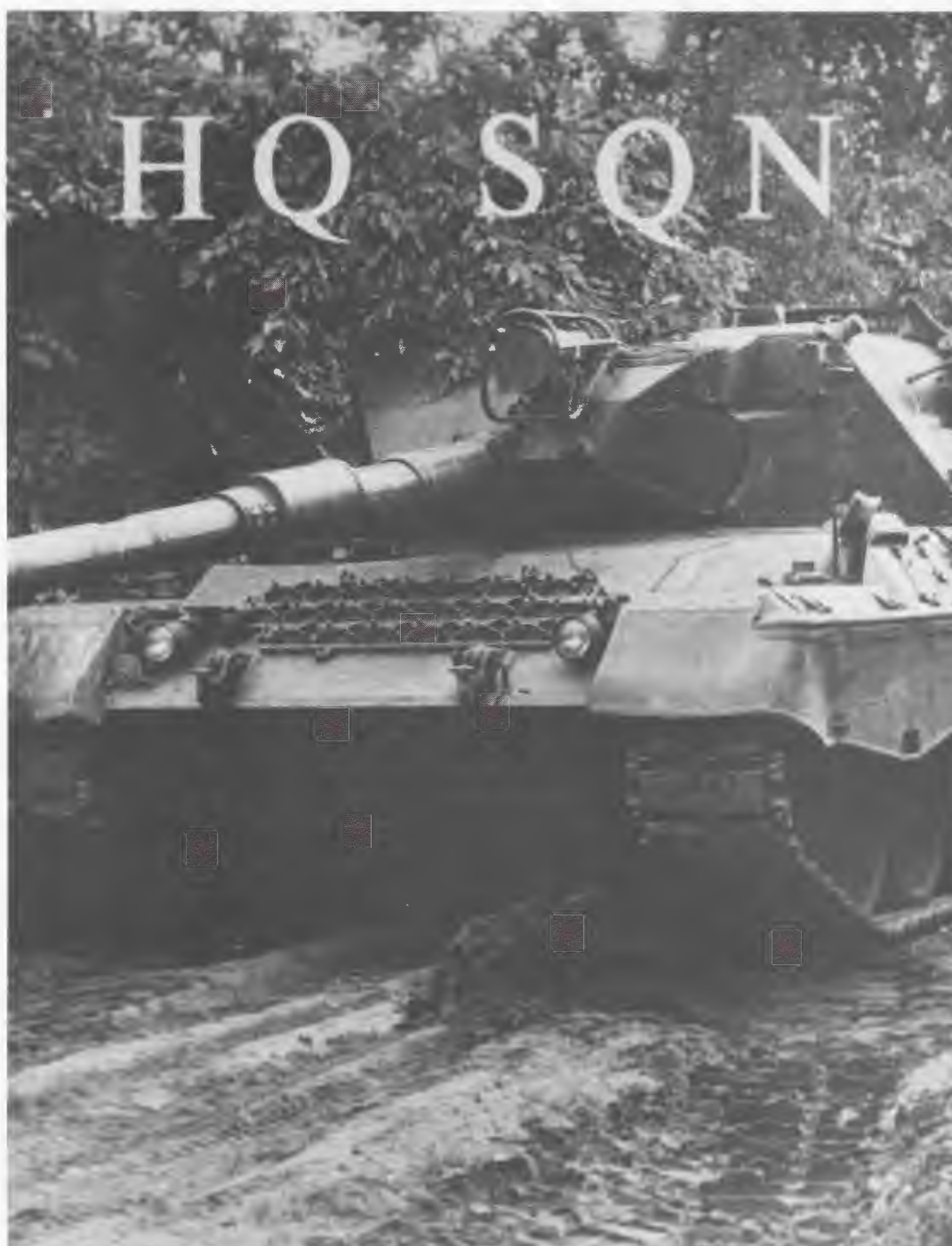
An armored vehicle from the Blues and Royals enters Port Stanley immediately after the surrender.



Scimitar is replenished prior to the battle for Wireless Ridge.



Scimitar defends the San Carlos beachhead.



## HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON

In 1982 Headquarters Squadron was busy as always, providing support to the Regiment both in garrison and in the field. Deployments to Bergen-Hohne, Munsingen and Hohenfels, with side trips to Heuberg and numerous manoeuvre areas spiced up the training year. As usual, Squadron operations covered the entire range of logistic, medical and maintenance support to the Regiment, with some time set aside for «soldier» training.

Hopefully the following photos will rekindle the memories of Headquarters Squadron, The Royal Canadian Dragoons, Germany 1982.

Preparing the meal.



Eating the meal.

Throwing the meal.





Bringing home the groceries.



SPSS playing sprockets.



The thrill of victory.



Danger in the butts.



HQ Sqn «on parade».



Trying to avoid the parade.

## ADVENTURE TRAINING THE BRITISH KIEL YACHT CLUB

In October, four people from the Regiment went adventure training to the British Kiel Yacht Club to spend a week learning the ins and outs of sailing. The four were Capt Mark Hutchings, MCpl Ron Huybers, Tpr Al Dadds and Tpr Bob Baron, all from «C» Squadron.

The British Kiel Yacht Club is located on the German Naval Base at Kiel. It is run under the auspices of the Royal Engineers, but several units of the British Army and CFE provide the instructors for the club. Most of the club's vessels are 28-foot Contessa yachts and these are the boats on which our course was instructed. The club has several other boats, one of which is the personal yacht that belonged to Herman Goring, which was acquired as a war prize at the end of the Second World War.

Capt Hutchings went on the potential skipper's course to qualify as a skipper of a yacht with 35 square metres of sail. The rest of us went to qualify as offshore hands on a yacht.

The first day was spent meeting other members of our respective crews. The first night was spent in the club's bar, where we became better acquainted with fellow potential skippers and offshore hands. Reveille at 0630 hrs on the second day signalled the beginning of the first day of instruction. We spent the day learning basic seamanship skills and safety on board the yacht. In the afternoon we went for a sail around the Kiel Harbour.

The next few days were spent on board the yachts and in the classroom learning all there was to know about basic sailing. Our minds were full of a whole new vocabulary taught to us by the instructors. We could not see the sense in calling a rope a wharp or a steel cable a shroud, but these terms have been around a lot longer than any of us, so who were we to argue? After remembering where the backstays, the jackstays, the halyards, the sheets and all the rest of the rigging was, we had to learn to secure it all with bowlines, double sheet bends, round turns with half hitches and what have you. «After splicing the main brace you can find the skipper in the scuppers!»

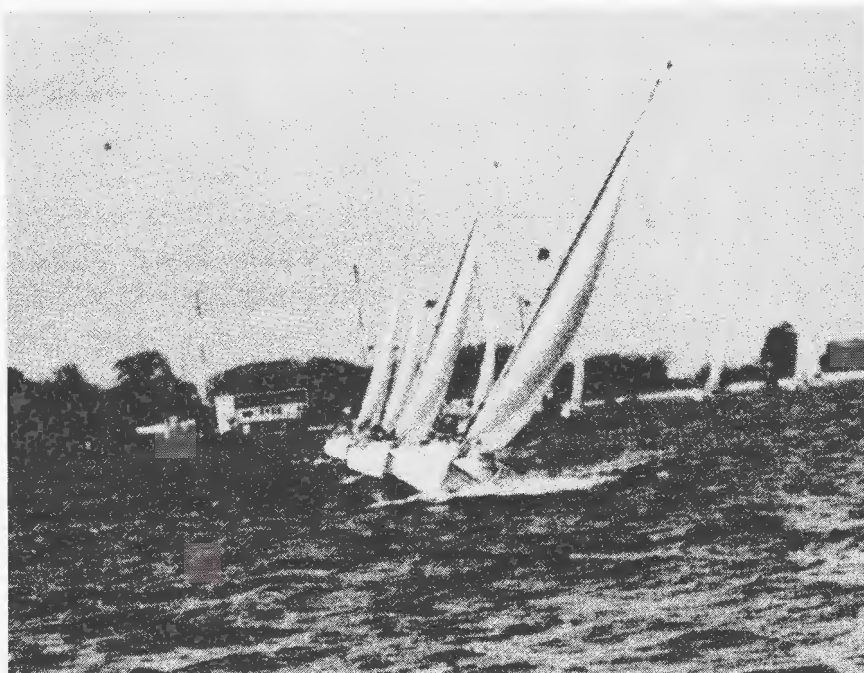
All this hard studying was rounded off at the end of the day with a trip to the club bar to contemplate the day's instruction. We were confident that we would be ready for sailing to Denmark, which was to test all our newly acquired sailing skills.

At 0400 hrs on the morning of the fourth day we set sail for our first stop on the long sail, the harbor of Damp, in Germany. From there we headed out in a thirty knot wind for Sonderborg, in Denmark. This sail was uneventful except for Tpr Dadd's unexpected loss of lunch over the side of the yacht. After a brief bout of seasickness he recovered and resumed his duties as an offshore hand. Our next stop on the trip was the harbor of Faaborg, Denmark, where we stopped for a few hours' much needed rest. Our last destination in Denmark was AEROSKOBING, where we stopped for the night. We abandoned the boats for a few hours to sample the nightlife in town.

Our sail to Kiel on day seven was delayed a few hours by very heavy winds and high seas. At 1030 hrs however, the word came to set sail and make for home. It was a very rough journey and the sailing skills we learned were quickly put to the test. A huge wave momentarily caused the loss of one of Capt Hutchings' offshore hands overboard, but luck and a safety harness kept him from being lost in the sea permanently. It was a long and very wet trip. There was a lot of doubt in our minds about the stability of our little yachts, but after a few heavy waves we realized that it would take a bit more to sink us. After changing sails, reefing mainsails and many other things required to make it back, we finally saw the Kiel harbor light; and visions of dry land were uppermost in our thoughts.

After a good night's sleep, we were tested on the final day as to our knowledge of seamanship, safety and knots. The potential skippers wrote their exams and Capt Hutchings was one of four out of twelve to pass. All of us passed our tests and were qualified offshore hands.

All in all, we enjoyed the week-long adventure training and the hospitality extended to us by the BKYC. It was very worthwhile going, and fun as well as adventurous. We recommend it to anyone with a desire to experience something a little different from what the Army normally offers.



«Musical Yachts»

## LELIEFONTEIN 1982

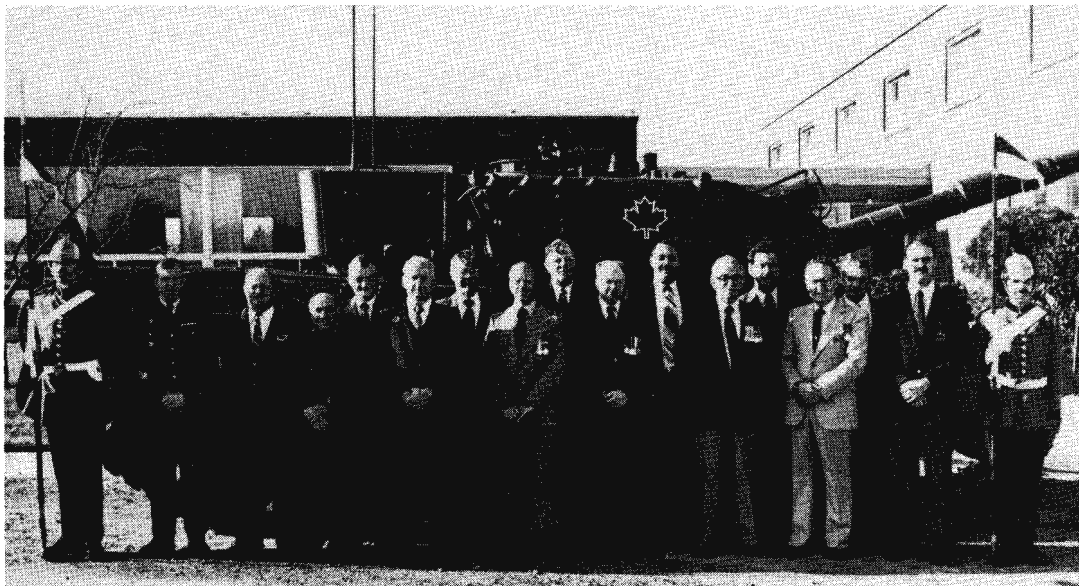
During the week of 1-7 November, the Regiment celebrated the Anniversary of the Battle at Leliefontein, where Lt Cockburn, Lt Turner, and Sgt Holland won the Victoria Cross for gallant action against a superior enemy force. The week kicked off with the arrival on 1 November of BGen J.P. Gautier, the Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, and continued with a full schedule throughout.

Rehearsals for the parade were the order of the day from Monday to Wednesday and, after much prompting from the RSM, the Regiment was ready. The band of the Queen's Royal Irish Hussars arrived from Munster to provide the music for the occasion. Throughout the rehearsals and parade, it demonstrated a highly professional military and musical bearing.

On Wednesday afternoon, BGen Gautier, suitably attired for the event, officially opened the Regimental Fun Sports Day. There were a number of surprises (not the least of which was the fact that the OCs did not suffer heart attacks during the Chain of Command Race) that kept everyone interested. Although such events as the Pig Out Rally, Bicycle Joust, and Murder Ball attracted large crowds, the highlight was the Greased Pole Pillow Fight. The top seeded match saw the CO and the RSM squaring off, with Mr. Marriot taking a beating from a superior (pardon the pun) force. Oh well, maybe next year RSM! The entire competition was finally won by «D» Squadron.

Thursday saw the Dragoons on the tarmac for the Leliefontein Parade, with the Colonel of the Regiment on the dais as the Reviewing Officer. As expected, a fine parade was put on for the spectators, culminating in the impressive feu-de-joie fired by the Regiment's tanks. That night, the all ranks dance was held with a large turnout. Music was again provided by the Dance Band of the Queen's Royal Irish Hussars and a local «mobile disco».

To cap the week off, the Regiment held their annual Volksmarsch (where BGen Gautier walked his aide into the ground) and were rewarded with a large turnout on both Saturday and Sunday. With 1983 being the Centennial Year of the Dragoons, plans are now being made for an even more successful week of activities to mark Leliefontein 1983.



The New Brunswick Chapter, RCD Association - (left to right) CWO MacAdams, Lloyd Broadhead, Mase Green, Sam Grady, John Pierce (secretary), Colley Yeomans, Ken McAllister, Norm Shaw, Russ Rector, Jim Upshaw, Vic Lockerbie, Don Murrin, Doug Shute (president), Marv Springer, Maj Meating. Lance-bearers: Tpr Sanderson (left) and Cpl Weber.

## The Games



To the winners go the spoils.

## SPORTS NEWS

In addition to the success of the soccer team, all Regimental teams had successful seasons, improving their records over 1981.

In senior hockey, the Springboks, led by John Wolford, Al Chasse and Bob Donogh, reached the semi-finals only to lose to the eventual league champs, 1 RCHA. MCpl Fred Howald's sparkling play in goal was a big factor in the team's success.

The No-Hit hockey team finished the year in fifth place (versus ninth in 81), but lost in the quarter finals of the league playoffs. Led by the veterans Fred Bourgeois and John Lutes, aided by the ageless Chris Sproule, and supported by returnees Bruce Troke, Steve Norwich, Steve Francoeur, Bob Labbe, Larry Skinner, Joey Thomas, André Pelchat, Rick Bobbitt and Byrne Holmes, the team jelled early in the season. The addition of several newcomers provided the necessary depth for the team. Most exciting was the play of Ben Gignac. As well Tim McCoy, Mike Ward, Kevin MacWilliams, Pepe Pharand, Jim Ferron, René Gingras and Scott Franklin helped the team to their respectable fifth place finish.

The volleyball team finished the season in third place, an improvement on 81. The team, led by Sam Belanger, defeated 1 RCHA in the semi-finals but lost to 1 R22eR in the league championship round.

The Regimental track and field championship was rained out this year but the Regiment did compete in the brigade meet. We gave our all to this meet but did not place very high. One of our bright spots was Chris Malczynski who won the long jump and the triple jump.

Congratulations to all our sports teams!



## RCD WILDCATS CHAMPIONS AGAIN

Once again the Regimental soccer team has had an impressive season, highlighted by the successful defence of our CFE and 4 CMBG championships.

The year got off to a rather late start with serious practising not beginning until after gun camp. We certainly looked rusty in our first game against an experienced German team from Kippenheimweiler, and came out on the wrong end of a 10-2 score. Also, early in our season we took on a German army all-star team which provided a soccer lesson for us. They were comfortable winners (with a score that conveniently has slipped from memory) in a game that did, however, reveal some signs of our potential. With only two weeks to prepare for the first game of the abbreviated regular season, Coach MacPherson was understandably concerned and was counting on our weekend tournament in Donnau to turn us around.

We had always been well received in this town, and the «vets» stories of young maidens dancing in the streets had stirred the interest of all the rookies. We had come expecting a sociable weekend and to get a lesson in soccer tactics from the Germans, but were to be pleasantly surprised. There was no doubt that the social end was realized; however, few of us could have guessed we would do so well on the pitch. Our team played superbly throughout the two-day tournament, winning three games and just losing out in the finals to a talented local squad. We took home most of the silverware (acquiring the most sportsmanlike team trophy amongst others), but we really came away from it full of high spirits and confidence — the team had jelled as a unit.

The regular season play went smoothly for us, and after surviving an initial scare from a base team who capitalized on our mistakes, we went on to handily dispose of the Gunners and HQ and Sig Sqn. After winning our division we headed into the play-offs to find that the Engineers had defaulted and we were slated for the finals against our arch rivals from Baden-Soellingen.

The game was played on the newly completed pitch at the Kaserne in a rainstorm that made conditions treacherous. It was an exciting match with tremendous two-way action. We were down 2-0 at halftime but in a true reflection of the team's strength came back to tie it up and force an overtime. Two 10-minute extra sessions were played with no goals generated. The goaltenders were superb, especially «Whitey» Whitehall who made some big saves to keep us in the match. The game went to the pressure-packed penalty shots phase as Whitey came up big again enabling us to pull off a 6-5 victory for the championship.

Good luck to all the team members who are rotating this year. The Wildcats with their bench strength should be just as strong next year and are already looking forward to representing the Regiment in the centennial year.

### LEAGUE PLAY

RCD 2	Base Lahr 1
RCD 8	1 RCHA 1
RCD 3	HQ & Sig Sqn 2
RCD 1	4 CER 0
RCD 6	Baden 5

### TOP SCORERS

Skinner 7 goals	Kitchen 2 goals
Needham 4 goals	Edwards 2 goals
Malczynski 2 goals	Whittle 2 goals



## THE ROYAL CANADIAN DRAGOONS WIVES CLUB

President	Terry Egan
Vice-president	Faye Swanburg
Secretary	Cathy Black
Treasurer	Elsa Hutchinson
Entertainment Convenor	Janette Pollock
Hospital Convenor	Heather Shaw
Ways and Means Convenor	Jackie Carruthers

With the co-operation and participation of the RCD wives we have had a very successful year.

The club's purpose is to provide a social vehicle whereby the ladies of the Regiment can meet one another and take part in appropriate social functions, and assist the wives and children of all personnel on strength of the Regiment whenever and wherever help is required and can be given.

The RCD Wives Club has been meeting its purpose through once-a-month meetings held in the WOs and Sr NCOs Rest Area in the North Marguerite and through assisting families with weekly hospital visits to dependants, a garage sale near «repatting» time and a family picnic during Fallex.

Some projects completed by the club in the 1982 year were: reprinting of the very popular RCD Cookbook; making 850 napkins and 20 tablecloths decorated with the Springbok insignia (to be used by the Regiment in the 1983 RCD Centennial celebrations); raising money for the club through two Merchant Fairs (March and October) by selling coffee, muffins and cookbooks; plus a garage sale in May where coffee and baked goods were sold.

During the year the RCD Wives Club made donations to the Canadian Youth Centre, Salvation Army and Pediatric Ward of Canadian Forces Hospital Europe. The club also supplied baseball uniform pants to the RCD Ladies Baseball Team and made a new Santa Claus suit for the Regiment.

We had a very informative and entertaining year, starting with an informal meeting and discussion with staff members of the CYC in January; receiving valuable information from a Customs officer on «repatting» in February; holding a Pfennig auction in April; watching a local florist arranging various floral displays in May; holding a «Farewell Dinner» for all RCD wives «repatting» at a local Gasthof in June and a «Meet and Greet» in September; discussing the history of wine and sampling with wine merchants in October; attending a Christmas floral arrangement demonstration in November; and finishing off the 1982 year with a candlelight dinner followed by a Pfennig auction.

The RCD Wives Club had a most enjoyable 1982, and we look forward to a prosperous 1983 with increased membership and participation by new RCD wives.

## OFFICERS' REST AREA

1982 was a year of great change for the Officers' Rest Area; someone installed a partially buried septic tank beside N-25! But that was not the only highlight of the year. 1982 began with the customary post-Christmas visit of the Brigade Commander to tea in the Rest Area (he also took advantage of the opportunity to inspect the Regiment) – I wonder if he thinks we have tea like that every afternoon? A Mess Dinner in February resulted in enough spilled blood to warrant a Battle Honour, but perhaps the circumstances weren't quite appropriate. Suffice it to say that the Hospital is now one of the few medical installations experienced in treating lance wounds.

In April, the Officers journeyed to Normandy, a visit which was immeasurably enriched by the first hand recollections of our Colonel Commandant, BGen SV Radley-Walters.

Back in Lahr, we saw fit to invite the officers of 1R22eR over for a few drinks and some harmless mess games. They don't make roofs like they used to, and it's a good thing that our Regimental MO was Duty Doctor at the hospital! (A lot of our social events seem to have repercussions in the medical system.)

June saw a variety of events, including a Mess Dinner in Hohne, finishing with the Change-of-Command Mixed Dining In at which we bid farewell to LCol Clive Addy and Marlene, and to the other departing officers and their ladies. We baptized the new CO, LCol Darrell Dean, at the traditional Meet 'n Greet barbecue and then departed for the field. The frenetic routine of Hohenfels was relieved by the Regensburg Romp, during which we visited the cathedral and other such sights. Those German bus drivers are punctual, as one officer found as he chased after us, eating diesel fumes as the bus disappeared around the corner. Expensive taxi ride, eh?

Leliefontein was marked by another Mixed Dining In, and so on to Christmas, where the officers condescended to let the NCOs edge by us in broomball – the things we don't do to keep up their morale.

So now, another Commander's tea will soon be upon us and we look forward to another busy and successful social season – but no roof-top parties this year.



Normandy - The officers inspect a Tiger Tank

## WO AND SNR NCO REST AREA

This report comes to you amid the regimental move and the exodus from the centre marg to the North Marguerite.

The year 1982 was one of many changes within the Rest Area.

Under the direction of SSM Grant, renovations were extensive in some cases, and in many cases overdue. Thank you to all the members who devoted their spare time. Although there is still considerable work to be done, our Rest Area is now completely functional as a social outlet for all regimental warrant officers and sergeants and their guests.

The members can now look with pride upon the prominently displayed regalia depicting regimental achievements past and present.

In July we held a «meet and greet» for the new members of the Rest Area. It was hosted by WO Logan (VPMC) and WO Stark (ENT).

It was the first opportunity for many of us to meet our new RSM, CWO Marriott, and his charming wife, Irma. An excellent time was had by all and the first introduction of the Rest Area to the new members and their wives was very impressive I'm sure.

Munsingen 1982 did not give us much opportunity to gather together; however, we were able to unite at a barbecue hosted by SSM Grant in Hohenfels. It was an opportunity to rub elbows with «C» Squadron and the boys of the Lazy D.

A post Leliefontein parade reception was hosted in the Rest Area this year by the RSM. We were able to meet and chat with guests from 293 Panzer Battalion and other units in CFE.

On the sports front, the annual Officer-Snr NCO hockey game ended in defeat for the WOs and Snr NCOs.

The cruncher came during the Officer-Snr NCO broomball game in which the officers were defeated 5-0. Led by the aggressive play of WO Bob Bray, WO Ray Leclerc and WO Jim Brown, the outcome was never in doubt.

In November, the Rest Area hosted the WOs and Snr NCOs and wives of 3 RCR to a night of broomball and a post-game reception. WO Dorn Vienneau and WO Bob McPherson could be singled out for a little foul play in the requisition of a mascot for the RCR; one whose virtues had been questionably assaulted. However, WO Vienneau was able to board the RCR bus and corner the unsuspecting villain.

The final event of the year was a very competitive hockey game between the WOs and Snr NCOs of the RCD and 1 RCHA; the outcome was a 5-3 victory for the RCD. At the post-game reception hosted by the 1 RCHA, the RSM was presented with a trophy by the PMC of the 1 RCHA Rest Area (BSM Tremain), marking this as an annual event.

As we reflect back over the last year we can do so with pride. The numerous projects and social events undertaken and completed were numerous. I am sure 1983 will be even more productive in terms of renovations and planned social functions.

On behalf of the RSM and the committee, we would like to thank the members for their efforts in 1982 and their continuing support in 1983.

## **MASTER CORPORALS' REST AREA**

The Rest Area has had a successful year, starting with the Regimental Gun Camp. Our field mess in Hohne was set up in an ideal location, but there was lots of work to be done to beautify the place. After several ideas, including MCpl Wright's aborted attempts with a swimming pool, we soon found ourselves returning to garrison.

One of the major activities for the year was the Leliefontein celebrations. This was to include a mixed mess dinner for the master corporals of the Regiment. The dinner was held in the senior NCOs' Rest Area and was a smashing success with great food, wine, women and song. The next mess dinner will be during the Centennial celebrations and we hope that it will be an even better success.

During the Christmas season, the MCpls' Rest Area participated in the seasonal inter-mess sports competitions. In hockey, the Men's team (which was almost the same roster as the Regimental team) edged by us to go on to the finals. Our next game was against the senior NCOs' team, which had obviously overdosed on Geritol. Well, beware — next year we shall not be so kind!

The last thing to report is that the Rest Area is moving to the old guard shack as part of the plan to bring the Regiment together in the North Marg. Once the renovations have been completed, it will be the envy of the Regiment, the hot spot of Lahr, or at least the best MCpls' Rest Area in the Armoured Corps.

## **JUNIOR RANKS REST AREA**

During the early months of the year renovations continued in the mess. A new bar was added, thanks to the hard work of Cpl Cal Edwards.

The mess remained quiet for most of the year until October when a new mess committee was appointed. Happy Hours were scheduled and plans were drawn up for a German Disabled Children's Christmas Party. On Sunday 12 December, fifty students arrived along with their teachers from the Georg Wimmer Schule in Lahr. The party was deemed as 100 per cent successful and was much appreciated by the students and teachers. Tpr John Lilje, Sgt Charles Gutta and Sgt Jack Hamer of 444 Tac Hel Sqn made substantial contributions in the form of time and effort which ensured that the party was successful. The Salvation Army also contributed by selecting appropriate presents and doing the gift wrapping.

The future for the mess looks bright as money has been approved for renovations which will come in the form of new walls and curtains for the mess.

Again thanks are due to all members of the mess and, with their continued support, the mess can be expected to do even better in 1983.

### **Committee Members**

President — Royce MacDonald

Vice-president — Hugh Cavan

Secretary — Tom Shepard

Treasurer — Bob Mackie

Entertainment — Jim Godkin

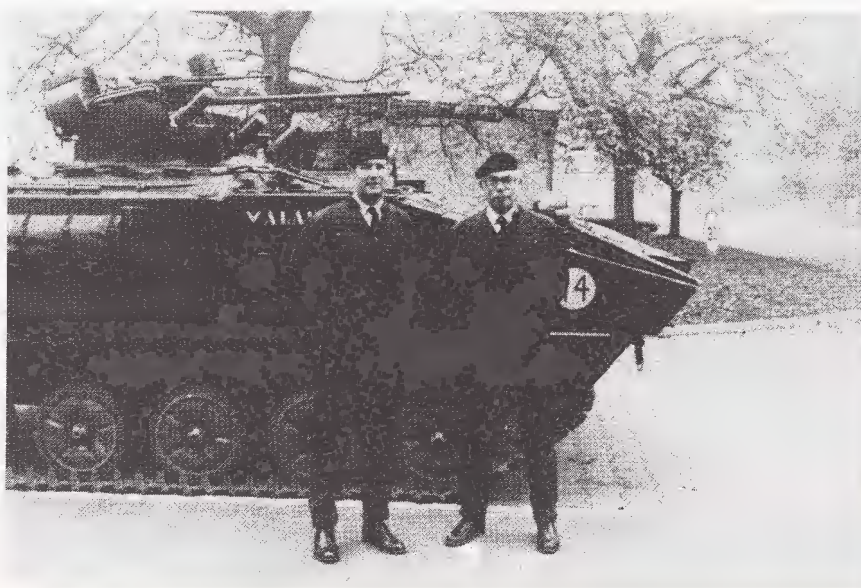
Housing — Cal Edwards



Santa Claus (Sgt Jack Hamer, 444 Sqn) makes many friends.



Men's Christmas Dinner - (left to right) Acting CO Maj Norm Ashton, CO «LCol» Gary Ferguson, RSM «CWO» Ernie Wood and Acting RSM MWO Linden Grant.



The Colonel of the Regiment and the CO visit 12e Regt de Cuirassiers.

## THE REGIMENT'S NEW DRIVING COURSE



The Trial Run



# PERSONNEL TAKEN ON STRENGTH 1982

RANK	NAME	POSTED FROM
Capt	MW Appleton	FMC HQ St-Hubert
2Lt	J Atkins	CTC Gagetown
Capt	FP Crober	CTC Gagetown
LCol	DM Dean	NDHQ Ottawa
Capt	CT Donovan	4 Svc Bn Lahr
Lt	CD Fenby	BCR Vancouver
Capt	CJ Glauninger	RSS Eastern
Maj	BE Hook	CFCSC Toronto
Capt	NF Keizer	5 CFST Moncton
Capt	JPP Lacroix	12 RBC Valcartier
Lt	JPG MacIntyre	CTC Gagetown
2Lt	LE Thomas	CTC Gagetown
Capt	DK Ward	CFS Holberg
Maj	DC Wilkinson	CDLS (W)
WO	AC Alderton	CFSCE Kingston
Pte	A Aucoin	CFB Montreal
Sgt	F Austin	8 CH Petawawa
Cpl	L Aymar	CTC Gagetown
Pte	JBA Belanger	2 R22eR Québec
Pte	S Bellingham	8 CH Petawawa
Cpl	JM Belliveau	CFB Calgary
Pte	MT Beno	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	NW Betts	«C» Sqn RCD Gagetown
Pte	D Bill	12 RBC Valcartier
Sgt	JW Boone	CFB Ottawa
Pte	M Bourgault	12 RBC Valcartier
Pte	Boyer	CFB Valcartier
Pte	DH Braid	CFSCE Kingston
WO	RG Braye	CFB Gagetown
Sgt	RW Breckenreid	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Pte	JW Brine	8 CH Petawawa
Cpl	DJ Browett	CFB Comox
Pte	GJ Busch	CFB Petawawa
Sgt	IF Campbell	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Pte	JD Campbell	CFB Calgary
Pte	DR Canning	8 CH Petawawa
Cpl	RL Carriere	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Pte	DV Carson	CTC Gagetown
Pte	DR Clark	8 CH Petawawa
A/WO	WG Cleveland	CFB Gagetown
Sgt	JA Cloake	CFB Petawawa
Pte	EC Cox	CFB Gagetown
Pte	MA Crunock	CFB Gagetown
Sgt	AP Dalton	HMCS Nipigon
WO	MS Darin-Zanco	CFB Borden
Pte	SG Dechert	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Cpl	J-P De-Repentigny	CFB Valcartier
Pte	L Deschamps	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Pte	KW Dobbin	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	A Doyon	BFC Valcartier
WO	JF Egan	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Sgt	RR Ellis	4 Svc Bn Lahr
Pte	GD Ferguson	CTC Gagetown
Pte	A Fillion	12 RBC Valcartier
Cpl	DR Fleet	1 Svc Bn Calgary
Pte	MC Fleming	CFB Gagetown
Pte	PR Fletcher	CFB Montreal
Pte	HW Forsey	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	VJ Fortune	CFB Calgary
Pte	JLLS Fournier	12 RBC Valcartier
Pte	PG Fox	CFB Gagetown
Pte	KA Fox	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	A Fraser	CFB Ottawa
Pte	MR Gallerio	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	GW Garnhum	HQ & Sig Sqn Petawawa
Cpl	TJ Gibson	CFB Greenwood

Sgt	WD Gillett	CFB Petawawa
Cpl	JE Godin	1 Fd Amb Calgary
Sgt	DH Good	Cdn Ab Regt Petawawa
Sgt	AG Gosse	CFB Petawawa
Pte	RR Gray	CFB Gagetown
MCpl	AJ Green	CFB Gagetown
Pte	RR Harris	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Cpl	LD Holden	(Re-enrol Lahr)
MWO	TJ Horgan	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	JLL Houston	HQ & Sigs Sqn Petawawa
Pte	GI Idzenga	CFB Gagetown
Pte	CA Irvine	8 CH Petawawa
WO	KR Jacobs	LDSH (RC) Calgary
MCpl	BSP Jeffrey	1 RCR London
Cpl	P Koser	CFB Petawawa
Pte	SD Kuhn	CFB Calgary
Cpl	JGA Larin	12 RBC Valcartier
Cpl	L Levac	BFC St-Jean
Pte	MJ Linington	CFB Gagetown
WO	AR Mantel	8 CH Petawawa
Sgt	JG Manuel	CFB St-Jean
CWO	RJ Marriott	RSS Central Toronto
Pte	R Martel	12 RBC Valcartier
Pte	BA McAllister	1 Svc Bn Calgary
Cpl	EJ McInnis	CFB Chatham
Cpl	JEG McLeod	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Pte	IT McTaggart	CFB Calgary
Pte	GP Miller	8 CH Petawawa
Sgt	RA Morris	CFS Gander
Sgt	J Muise	CFB Petawawa
Pte	MJA Muranetz	LDSH Calgary
Cpl	CA Noel	CFS St. John
Pte	J Nunez	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	TB O'Brien	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	M Ownes	CFB Calgary
Cpl	RF Parry	CFB Baden
Pte	PR Patterson	LDSH Calgary
Cpl	RA Pender	CFB Gagetown
Pte	D Perrenoud	CFB Calgary
Pte	GV Pitawanakwat	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	GJ Poirier	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	GR Preston	CFB Gagetown
WO	DE Purdy	4 Svc Bn Lahr
Cpl	JT Rasmussen	408 Sqn
WO	WD Reinson	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Pte	BW Rideout	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	JAD Roberge	12 RBC Valcartier
Pte	CT Seefried	CFB Petawawa
Pte	D Seymour	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	TE Sheppard	CFRS Cornwallis
Cpl	JMR Sirois	BFC Bagotville
Sgt	DBL Slaght	CFB Gagetown
Pte	TM Spooner	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	GL Strong	202 WSHP Montreal
MCpl	TB Swanburg	HQ & Sig Sqn Petawawa
Cpl	WF Terry	CFB Halifax
Pte	BM Tessier	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Pte	JH Thurrott	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	JJ Tucker	CFB Kingston
WO	JD Vienneau	444 Tac Hel Sqn Lahr
Sgt	KR Vivian	CFB Calgary
Pte	D Walker	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	RP Warren	CFB Kingston
Pte	JT Weber	CFB Calgary
Sgt	PM Wheeler	CFB Halifax
Pte	JF Williamson	8 CH Petawawa

# **PERSONNEL STRUCK-OFF-STRENGTH 1982**

RANK	NAME	POSTED TO
LCol	C.J. Addy	CLFCSC Kingston
Capt	LK Barsauskas	CTC Gagetown
Maj	WR Blair	CFCSC Toronto
Lt	MP Cessford	RSS Central St-Thomas
Lt	JM Clavelle	CFB Valcartier
Capt	RA Fife	RSS Atlantic St-John
Lt	RB Henwood	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Lt	F Kuschereit	8 CH Petawawa
Capt	JA Lutes	FMC HQ St-Hubert
Capt	PA Philcox	NDHQ Ottawa
Capt	Ross	NDHQ Ottawa
Capt	RV Ryder-Burridge	ATL Gagetown
Maj	CJ Sproule	CTC Gagetown
Capt	AF Stephen	AB Svc Cdo Petawawa
Maj	KL Thornton	CDLS London (ATL)
Pte	TJ Arling	Release
Sgt	JB Arvisais	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	TS Babson	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	Barrass	4 Svc Bn Lahr
Pte	GR Beaton	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	Briggs	CTC Gagetown
Pte	CG Byrne	Release
Pte	GW Cambridge	RSS Central Toronto
Cpl	GL Carmichael	«C» Sqn RCD Gagetown
Pte	RJO Clarke	Release
MCpl	JA Clement	12 RBC Valcartier
Cpl	JM Comeau	CFB Bagotville
Cpl	JAG Comtois	202 Wksp Montréal
Pte	RB Conlon	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	WC Corbett	4 CMBG HQ & Sigs Sqn Lahr
Cpl	CS Currie	CFB Trenton
MCpl	CW Damery	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	JFSY Defoy	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	FF Delorme	LDSH Calgary
WO	WS Demkiw	CFB Chilliwack
Cpl	DE Dewitt	Release
Sgt	PC Dickson	NDHQ Ottawa
Cpl	D Djian	LETE Ottawa
Cpl	DS Dunbar	CFB Ottawa
WO	GD Edwards	4 Svc Bn Lahr
WO	DR Eisan	HMCS Ottawa Halifax
MCpl	JR Ethier	CFB Trenton
Cpl	DH Evans	Release
Pte	MY Faulkner	Release
MCpl	CE Foster	MPHL Ottawa
Cpl	SR Francoeur	Release
MCpl	WJ Fritz	CFB Valcartier
Cpl	AR George	Release
MCpl	G Giroux	12 RBC Valcartier
Sgt	JV Grant	CFB Lahr
Pte	JMAS Gravel	Release
Sgt	TB Haight	AB Svc Cdo Petawawa
Pte	DW Haverson	Release
Cpl	BJ Hinks	CFB Beausejour
Pte	TD Hobbs	Release
WO	JR Hodgson	RSS Pacific Kelowna BC
Pte	DB Holmes	8 CH Petawawa
Cpl	LG Hunt	LDSH Calgary
Cpl	DW Johnstone	LDSH Calgary
MCpl	CT Jones	RSS Central London
Cpl	BC Junkin	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	PC Keating	RSS Central London
Pte	CF Kennedy	8 CH Petawawa
WO	RD Kitcher	CFB Esquimalt
Pte	JR Knaver	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	M Lachance	CFB Portage la Prairie
Pte	DA Laidlaw	Release

Sgt	HW Langille	CTC Gagetown
Pte	JC Langille	LDSH Calgary
Cpl	SWF Lawes	CFAD Borden
MWO	JC Lemieux	CFB Montréal
Sgt	RD Lescombe	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	G Lessard	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	TW Lewis	LDSH Calgary
Cpl	FB Loeffler	CFB Baden-Soellingen
WO	AJ Luciak	CFB Borden
Sgt	ER Lusk	CFB Shilo
MWO	RJ Lynk	«C» Sqn RCD Gagetown
Cpl	EW Lyons	LDSH (RC) Calgary
CWO	AL MacAdams	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	WG MacDonald	CFB Lahr
MWO	TT MacDougal	CFB Toronto
MCpl	PS MacIntyre	CTC Gagetown
Pte	M Maggiolo	Release
WO	RS Major	RSS Atlantic
MCpl	SD Maksemvik	CFB Gagetown
Sgt	GJ Malcolm	LMPS Lahr
MCpl	JG Marsolais	CFB Bagotville
Cpl	JA Mazeroll	CFB Ottawa
Sgt	RN McAvity	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	DJ McGinnis	CTC Gagetown
Pte	NP McLellan	Release
WO	JS McNeil	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	JS McNutt	LDSH Calgary
Cpl	JR Miller	2 CER Petawawa
MCpl	JJ Mills	CFB Shearwater
Sgt	DG Mingo	Release
MCpl	JD Moore	4 Svc Bn Lahr
Pte	JG Morrissey	Release
MCpl	KA Mulhern	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Cpl	IW Munro	CFB Comox
MCpl	WM Murphy	2 RCHA Petawawa
Cpl	JT Ormrod	Release
Cpl	DC Ouellette	4 Svc Bn Lahr
MCpl	JP Parisee	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Cpl	JA Pepin	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	CE Pothier	CFB Greenwood
Cpl	JMF Poulin	4 Fd Amb Lahr
Sgt	RS Powell	LDSH Calgary
Pte	G Power	Release
Sgt	RA Rawlinson	CFB Toronto
Pte	J Ramsay	Release
Cpl	Reid	4 Svc Bn Lahr
MCpl	JJC Rodgers	CFB Comox
Sgt	Russell	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	JD Schrueder	CFB Cornwallis
Cpl	AD Sears	8 CH Petawawa
Pte	KG Secord	Release
MCpl	MG Simpson	CFB Edmonton
Cpl	RM Sloan	Release
MCpl	RD Spence	LDSH Calgary
WO	Sprowl	LDSH Calgary
MCpl	LW Starchuk	ATL Gagetown
Cpl	St-Arnault	CFS Moisie
Sgt	TG Steeves	CFB Halifax
MCpl	Steffan	CFB Esquimalt
Pte	Stitt	CFB Trenton
Cpl	St-Laurent	12 RBC Valcartier
Sgt	Stoddard	CFB Trenton
Pte	CJ Strachan	Release
Cpl	JE Thomas	CTC Gagetown
Pte	PH Tom	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	KSA Underwood	Release
MWO	TE Urbanowsky	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	JE Urquhart	1 AB Svc CDO Petawawa
MCpl	JRH Vaudrin	715 Comm Sqn St-Hubert
Cpl	GA Veley	4 Svc Bn Lahr
MCpl	RA Vigneault	12 RBC Valcartier

Sgt	DC Votour	CTC Gagetown
Pte	DM Walsh	Release
Pte	GE Weiss	Release
Sgt	WD Westhaver	RSS Moose Jaw
Pte	DT White	Release
MCpl	JB Whittle	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	Wilson	736 Comm Sqn Thunder Bay
MCpl	JL Wolford	4 Svc Bn Lahr
WO	DG Wyld	HQ CFE Lahr

### ERE OFFICERS

LCol	RE Acreman	FMC HQ St-Hubert
LCol	CJ Addy	CLFCSC Kingston
Capt	WR Allen	CEM Ottawa
Maj	WS Andrews	CFB Petawawa
Capt	LK Barsaskas	CTC Gagetown
Maj	GE Bart	Ex Duty USA
Capt	GR Bennett	CTC Gagetown
Maj	RFJ Berge	CFSME Chilliwack
Maj	KR Black	CFTS HQ Trenton
Maj	WR Blair	CFCS Toronto
Capt	ED Borylo	RSS (Central) Toronto
Capt	JLG Bouchard	CTC Gagetown
Maj	AM Brown	CFLS Ottawa
Col	RJ Brown	CDLS (L) London, England
Capt	TJI Burnie	DCDS Ottawa
Maj	RH Caldwell	RSS (Prairie) Det Edmonton
BGen	PHC Carew	ORAE Ottawa
Capt	MK Carswell	CTC Gagetown
Capt	MP Cessford	RSS (Central) Toronto
Maj	DL Corkum	CFCS Toronto
Maj	JA Dalton	RSS (Central) Toronto
Col	JK Dangerfield	CFLS Ottawa
Capt	MS Davies	CTC Gagetown
Maj	HE Decoste	RSS (Pacific) Vancouver
Maj	BR Dixon	CFLO ESTB Washington
Capt	JLA Doucet	FMCHQ St-Hubert
Capt	HR Egner	RSS (Central) Borden
Maj	RM Elrick	CFB Borden
Capt	RA Fife	RSS (Atlantic) St. John
Capt	RJ Finn	CTC Gagetown
Col	JAR Gardam	CPCSA Ottawa
Capt	JC Gowans	Aircom HQ Winnipeg
LCol	DJ Graham	DCDS Ottawa
Capt	TJ Grant	DCDS Ottawa
Maj	VPF Guy	4 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn, Lahr
Capt	HD Hale	RSS (Central) Toronto
Maj	AK Hamilton	Sec List Suffield
Maj	DA Henderson	CLFCSC Kingston
Capt	GG Hug	LDSH (RC) Calgary
Maj	DH Hunter	RSS (Central) Windsor
MGen	CG Kitchen	Senior Serving Dra- goon
Maj	LO Klein	CFOCS Chilliwack
Col	HBE Lake	Sec List Suffield
Maj	ECH Latham	Cdn ELM UNTSO Jerusalem
Maj	AG Lawrence	MARCOM HQ Halifax
Maj	JA Lutes	FMC HQ St-Hubert
Capt	MG Macdonald	CTC Gagetown
Capt	SC MacDowall	CEN Rgn HQ Det Toronto
Capt	JL MacHaber	FMC HQ St-Hubert
Maj	A MacLean	CDLS (W) Washington

Capt	SA Martin	CTC Gagetown
Capt	JR McKenzie	DCDS Ottawa
Capt	MR McNorgan	CPD Ottawa
Capt	GW Meisner	CTC Gagetown
Col	C Milner	DCDS Ottawa
Capt	R Moore	RSS (Prairie) Medicine Hat
Capt	JK Moyer	CTC Gagetown
Col	JN Murphy	CFA Office Rome
Capt	RP Nielsen	CTC Gagetown
LCol	GJ O'Connor	CFCSC Toronto
Maj	OJD Olafson	CANSUP Heidelberg HQ CENTAG
Capt	MJ Pacey	CDLS (W) Washington
Capt	PA Philcox	DCDS Ottawa
Maj	DW Prosser	CTC Gagetown
Maj	TF Pyne	CFCSC Toronto
Capt	JLM Richard	CFRC Montreal
Capt	RS Richards	CTC Gagetown
Maj	CA Sangster	ADC Gov Gen Ottawa
Capt	GL Sangster	CPCSA Ottawa
Maj	KRT Seeley	DCDS Ottawa
Capt	JR Shaftoe	CPCSA Ottawa
Maj	WH Smith	DCDS Ottawa
Maj	CJN Sproule	CFB Gagetown
LCol	DC Summers	CFCSC Toronto
Maj	MJ Tanguay	4 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn Lahr
Capt	J Thomson	CFTDC Borden
Maj	KL Thornton	CDLS (L) London, England
Col	KG Troughton	CFB Kingston
Maj	CH Watson	CFB Gagetown

#### ERE OTHER RANKS

CWO	DA Beattie	DCDS Ottawa
CWO	AL MacAdams	CTC Gagetown
CWO	GE Martin	RSS Ottawa
MWO	JL Martin	CFB Petawawa
MWO	TT MacDougal	CFB Toronto
MWO	RJ McMilland	CTC Gagetown
MWO	DA Richie	CTC Gagetown
MWO	J Rothenburg	CTC Gagetown
MWO	TE Urbanowsky	CTC Gagetown
WO	JAD Arsenault	CTC Gagetown
WO	IC Ashe	CEN Reg HQ Toronto
WO	SR Ballrd	CTC Gagetown
WO	R Berry	CFRS Cornwallis
WO	RF Chalmers	CTC Gagetown
WO	CB Custus	CFB Petawawa
WO	JJP Doiron	CFB Gagetown
WO	FG Elliott	ESTB Ottawa
WO	JAR Fougere	RSS Sherbrooke
WO	JJGA Guilbert	CFB Valcartier
WO	JR Hodgson	CFS Kamloops
WO	GD Ingram	CTC Gagetown
WO	RD Kitcher	CFR Esquimalt
WO	CTE Jones	CFB London
WO	NL Lawrence	RSS Windsor
WO	RI Lepine	RSS London
WO	SA Levis	CFB Lahr
WO	RS Major	CFB Summerside
WO	WA Moore	CFB Summerside
WO	SC Nann	CTC Gagetown
WO	HW Nolte	RSS Borden
WO	M Paauw	RSS Prairie
WO	JM Perron	CTC Gagetown
WO	FE Rymarchuk	403 HOTS Gagetown

WO	SB Stach	CFOCS Chilliwack
WO	HR Sutton	403 HOTS Gagetown
WO	GW Taylor	RSS Toronto
WO	FA Theiner	CFLA Borden
Sgt	FA Alchorn	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	RG Baldwin	CFB Summerside
Sgt	AA Barker	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	LC Beaton	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	HF Blackie	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	JYLD Blouin	CFRS St-Jean
Sgt	RR Boutilier	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	GE Carpenter	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	JR Coulombe	CFRC Trois-Rivières
Sgt	FE Dedrick	CFRS Cornwallis
Sgt	DW Dielscheider	CFRC Kamloops
Sgt	JR Delomount	RSS Prairie
Sgt	PA Dunphy	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	JH Hamer	444 THS Lahr
Sgt	DR Harvey	CFRS Cornwallis
Sgt	RA Hopkins	CFRS Cornwallis
Sgt	RW Jewett	CFB Cornwallis
Sgt	JJG Jobin	403 ETAH Valcartier
Sgt	Levesque	CFRS Cornwallis
Sgt	GR Locke	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	VH Matheson	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	RE MacDougall	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	JD Milland	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	JME Robichaud	CFB St-Jean
Sgt	PM Shute	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	PJ Simon	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	AB Smith	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	TG Steeves	CFB Halifax
Sgt	E Jobin	CTC Gagetown
Sgt	WD Westhaver	CFB Moose Jaw
Sgt	JMYR Whelan	CFB Petawawa
Sgt	SL Wright	427 THS Petawawa
MCpl	DL Carter	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	DP Crayne	RSS Prairie
MCpl	JPM Dube	CFLS Borden
MCpl	JY Gauthier	CFB St-Jean
MCpl	DF Guy	CFB Kingston
MCpl	PC Keating	CFB London
MCpl	FM Kube	Moncton
MCpl	KD Kuzyk	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	JJ Mills	CFB Shearwater
MCpl	LL Murphy	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	RJ Orr	RSS Toronto
MCpl	WE Owens	CTC Gagetown
MCpl	RD Panas	CFB Calgary
MCpl	RD Spencer	CFRS Cornwallis
MCpl	LW Starchuk	CFB Gagetown
MCpl	KF Tarrant	CFB Ottawa
MCpl	JAR Vigneault	CFB Valcartier
MCpl	LD Vickers	CFB Chilliwack
MCpl	WD Visneskie	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	RE Bodden	CFB Chatham
Cpl	JCE Bouchard	CFSAOE Borden
Cpl	JEM Boulay	CFB Bagotville
Cpl	JJEJ Brady	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	AG Burt	CFB Greenwood
Cpl	GW Cambridge	CFB London
Cpl	JMJ Comeau	CFB Bagotville
Cpl	PD Currie	CFB Trenton
Cpl	JAR Desbiens	15 Dent Unit St-Jean
Cpl	DH Dodge	CFB Comox
Cpl	CR Duke	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	DS Dunbar	CFB Ottawa

Cpl	LJ Fisher	CLFCSC Kingston
Cpl	AA Gallant	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	JGM Grosseau	CFB Trenton
Cpl	ED Guerin	CFB Edmonton
Cpl	NA Guy	CFSCE Kingston
Cpl	RJ Habanec	CFB Cold Lake
Cpl	CR Hewitt	CFB Trenton
Cpl	BW Jordon	CFB Comox
Cpl	RR Knox	CFB Trenton
Cpl	JLM Lachance	CFB Portage
Cpl	FLC Lacroix	CFB Bagotville
Cpl	DW Lantz	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	K Laskovic	CFB Comox
Cpl	JCG Lessard	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	NC Levesque	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	JEV Martel	CFB Trenton
Cpl	JA Mazeroll	CFB Ottawa
Cpl	DHW MacDonald	CFB Suffield
Cpl	JG McKenna	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	IW Munro	CFB Comox
Cpl	JGE Paradis	5 Bn du Svc Valcartier
Cpl	CE Pothier	CFB Greenwood
Cpl	RB Potter	CFB Comox
Cpl	WA Pringle	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	JNAS Provencher	CFB North Bay
Cpl	KS Ranskin	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	PE Ringer	CTC Gagetown
Cpl	AG Ryan	CFB Gagetown
Cpl	RS Smith	RSS Oshawa
Cpl	TS Speck	CFB Chilliwack
Cpl	JRY St-Arneault	SFC Moisie
Cpl	TF Swenson	CFB Comox
Cpl	TLE Thompson	CFSEME Chilliwack
Cpl	LG Zinck	CFB Gagetown
Pte	JJC Meslage	CFB Cornwallis
Pte	PR Neville	NDHQ/AU
Pte	TJ Robinson	CFB Cornwallis



33 prepared for action during Mobile Warrior 82. On the back deck (left to right) Lt Haindl and trusty dog «Patches», Cpl Moakler, Cpl Procter and Tpr Martin; on the turret, troop leader's entertainment (Miss Lorna Mason), batman (Tpr Eldershaw), padre (Capt Craig) and personal cook (Cpl Tozer).

## REGIMENTAL HISTORY



Signalman and RCD Armoured Car in Harbour, 1943



# **In Memoriam**

## **HQ SQUADRON**

**246 256 341 Corporal J.R.J. Dufresne  
Supply Technician 911  
8 July, 1982**

## **B SQUADRON**

**454 857 301 Trooper S.D. Allt  
Crewman 011  
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